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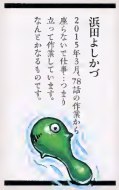

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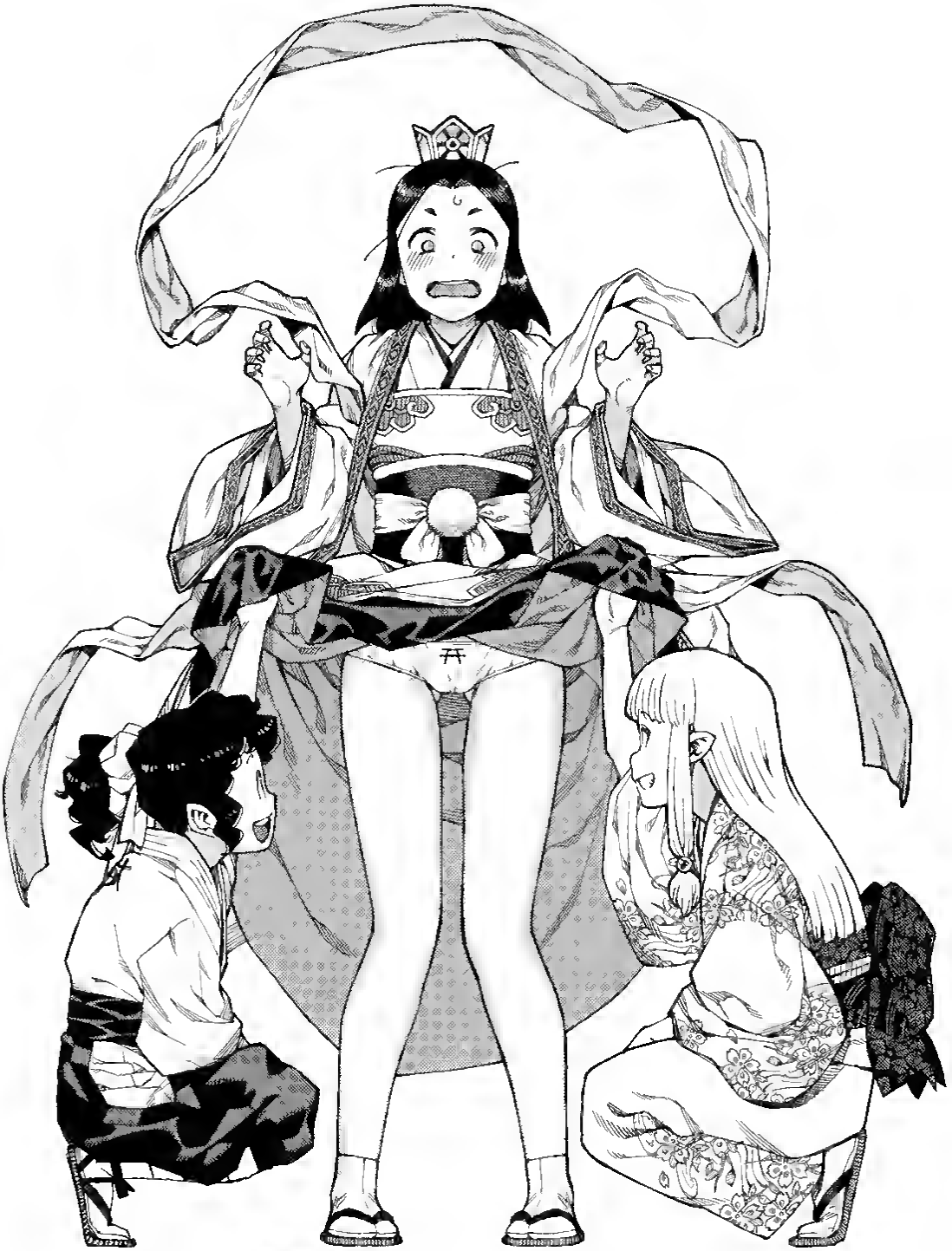

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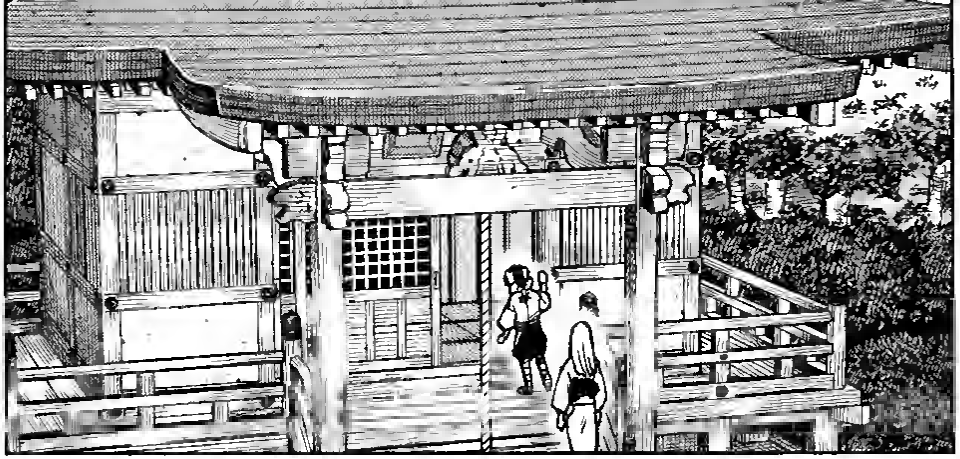
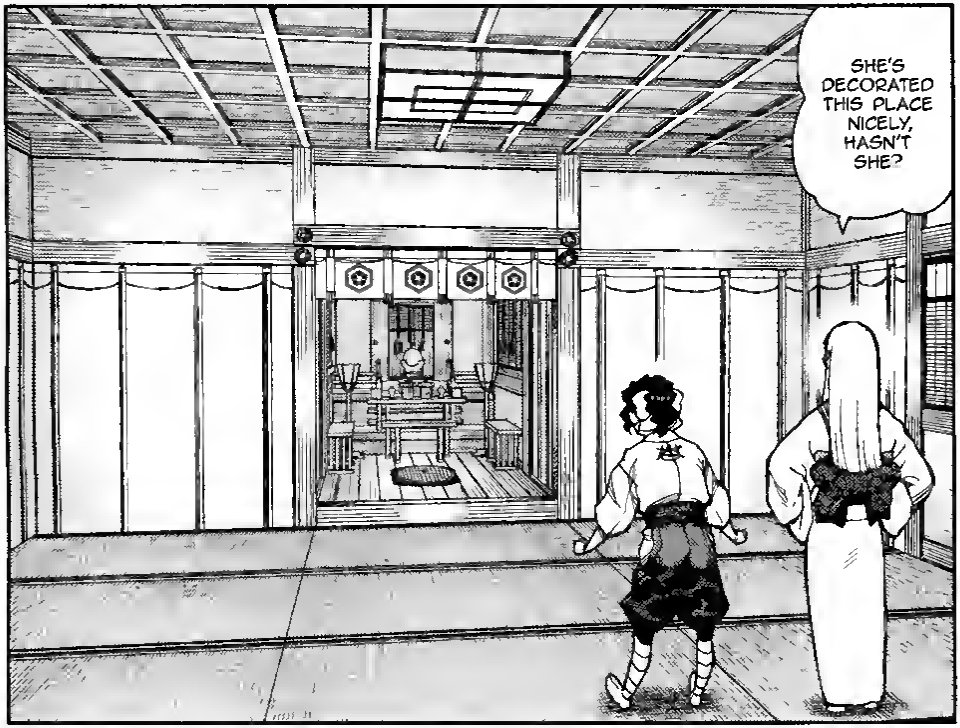
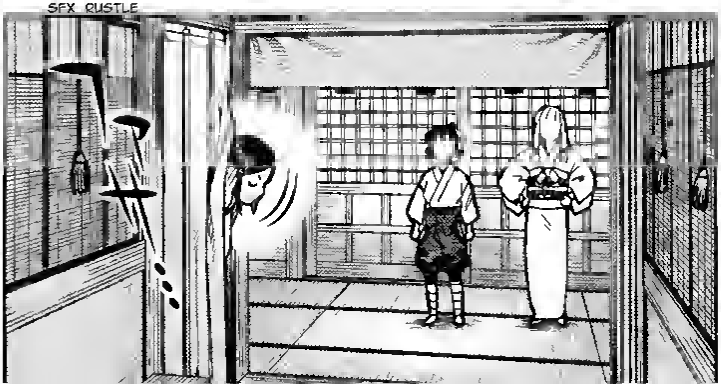
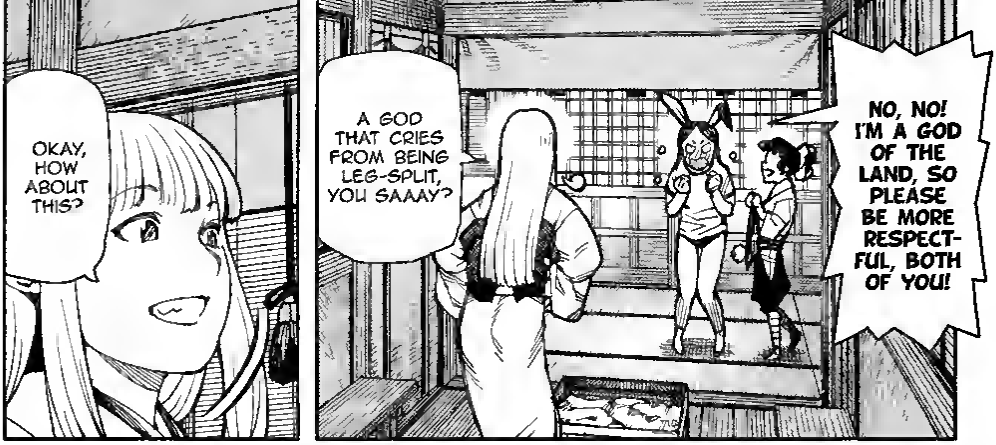


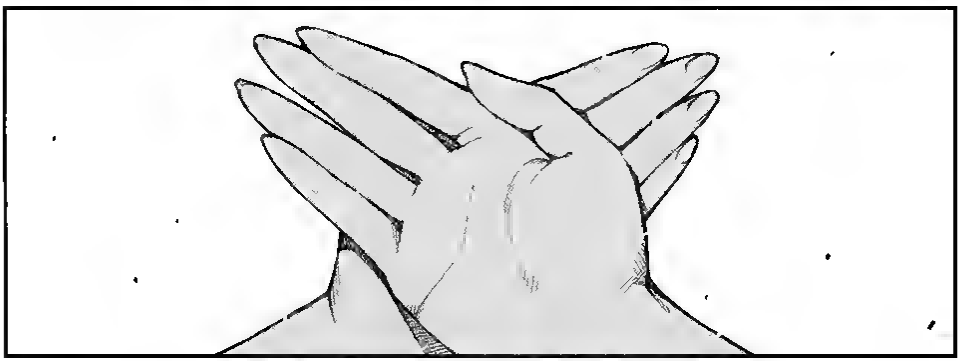

SHE'S DECORATED THIS PLACE NICELY, HASN'T SHE?


SFX RUSTLE

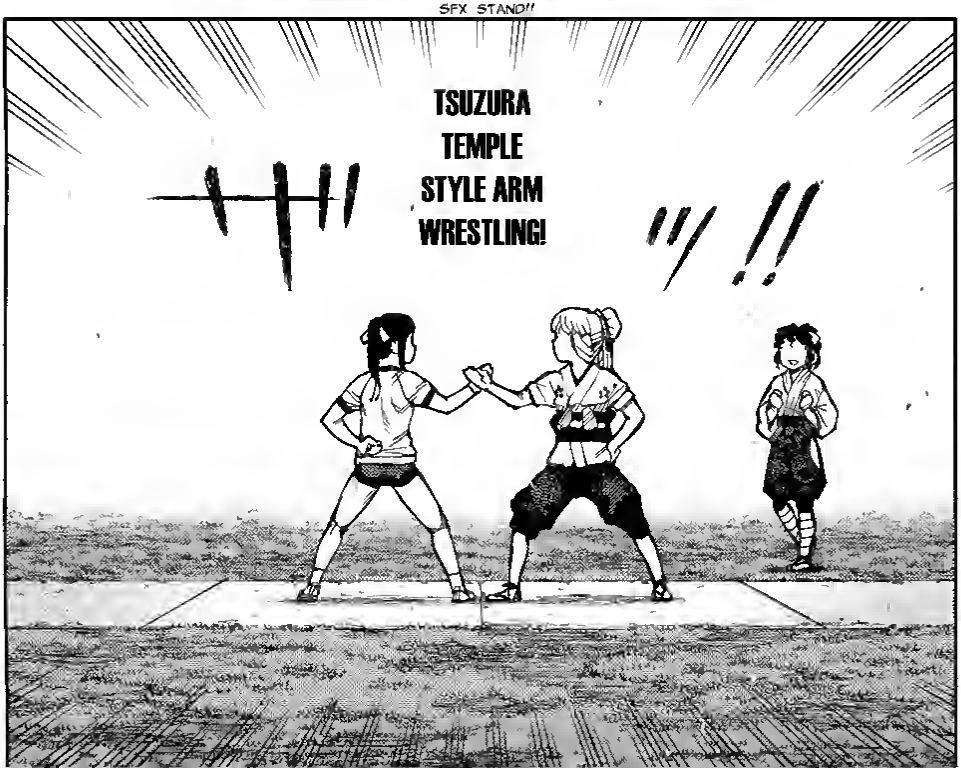
NATU-RALLY

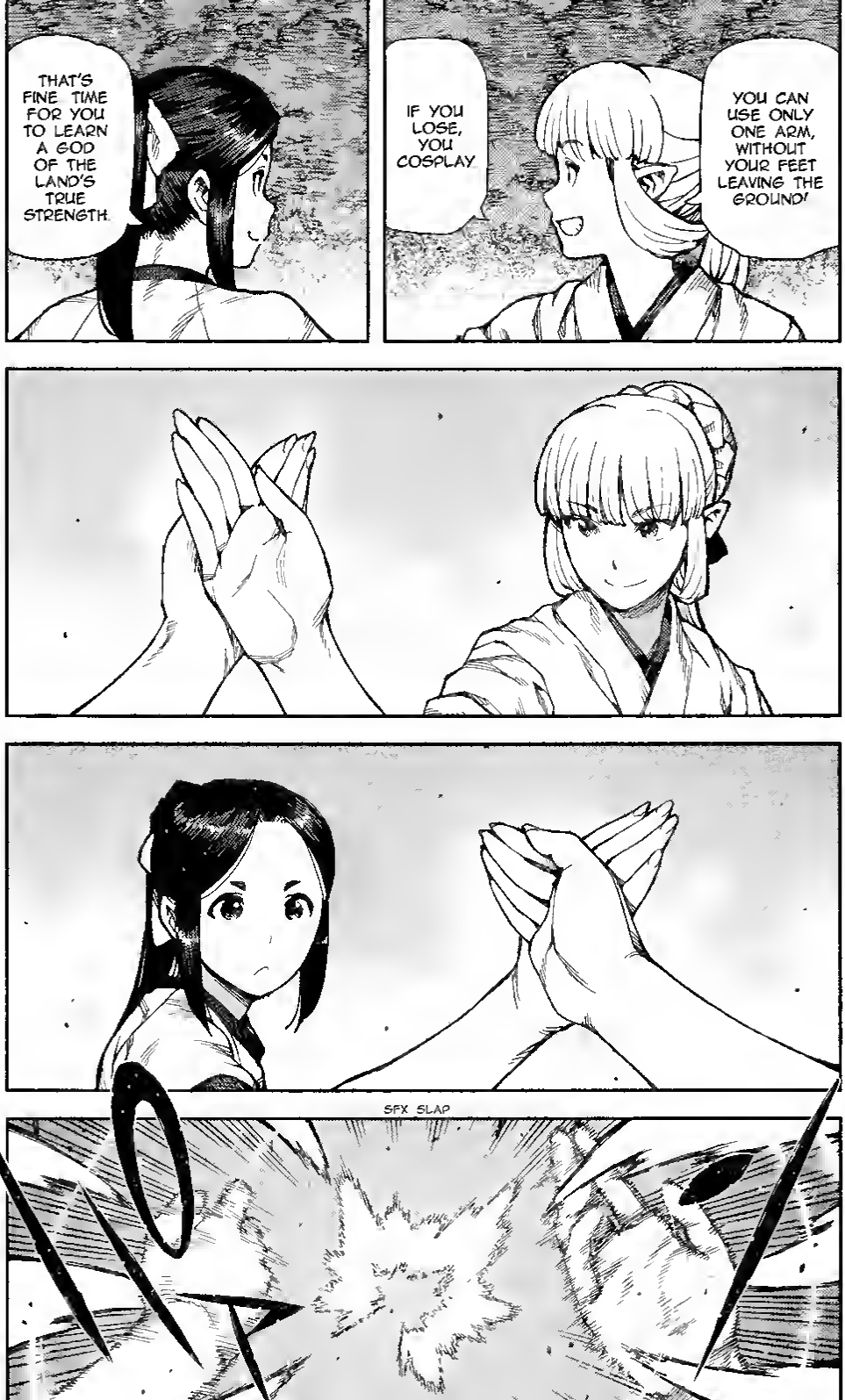
TH-THESE ARE THE ONLY SORTS OF CLOTHES I HAVE RIGHT NOW!
IT'S YOUR CLOTHING THAT IS DIS-TURBED
A DIS-TURBED HOME REFLECTS A DIS-TURBED MIND!!
KUKURI
SFX SERIOUS
EHHH?!
I WANT TO SEE YOU WEAR-ING THIS OUTFIT!
HO HO HO
THEY WERE PROVIDED TO ME BY A LOCAL GOD
THIS ISN'T A HOBBY OF MINE, OKAY?!
OHHHH?


OKAY, HOW ABOUT THIS?
A GOD THAT CRIES FROM BEING LEG-SPLIT, YOU SAAAY?
NO, NO! I'M A GOD OF THE LAND, SO PLEASE BE MORE RESPECTFUL, BOTH OF YOU!



SFX STAND!!

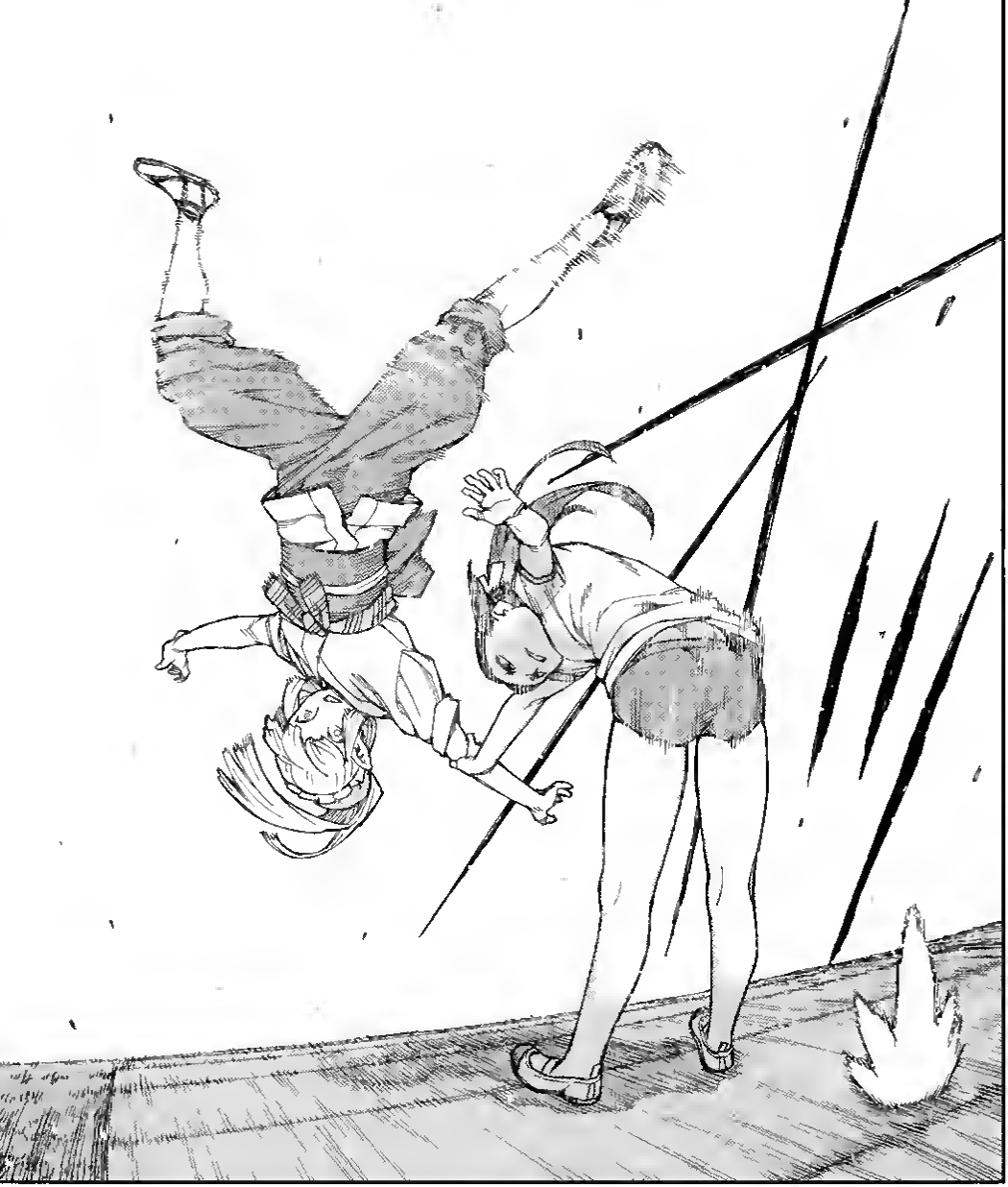

TSUZURA TEMPLE STYLE ARM WRESTLING!

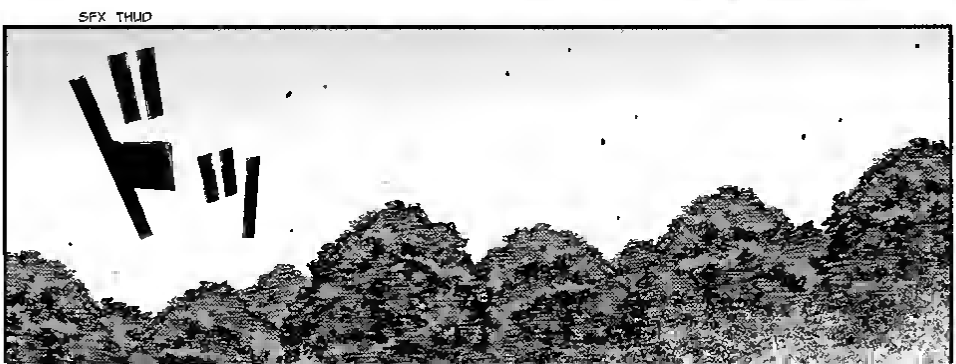

THAT'S FINE TIME FOR YOU TO LEARN A GOD OF THE LAND'S TRUE STRENGTH.
IF YOU LOSE, YOU COSPLAY
YOU CAN USE ONLY ONE ARM, WITHOUT YOUR FEET LEAVING THE GROUND!
SFX SLAP

SWING
BOOST
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
SFX
SLASH

SFX
WHIFF
SFX
FWIP
SFX
TUG
WHAM
WHAM

SFX: SWISH
SFX: SCUFF

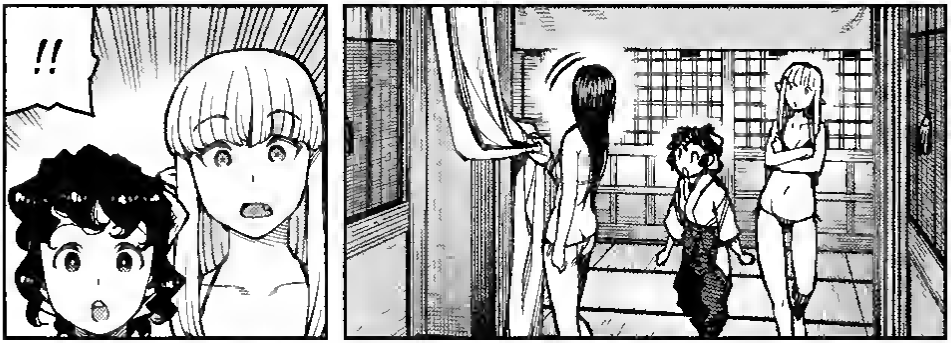

SFX
SWISH


SFX THUD

SHIIIT, YOU'RE A PRO!
HO HO HO, I NEVER SAID IT WAS MY FIRST TIME.
ドンッ!!
SFX: BA-BAM!!
OKAY, OKAY! I WANT TO DO IT TOO!
THAT'S FINE, BUT...
WOULD YOU PLEASE DECIDE AHEAD OF TIME WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO WEAR?

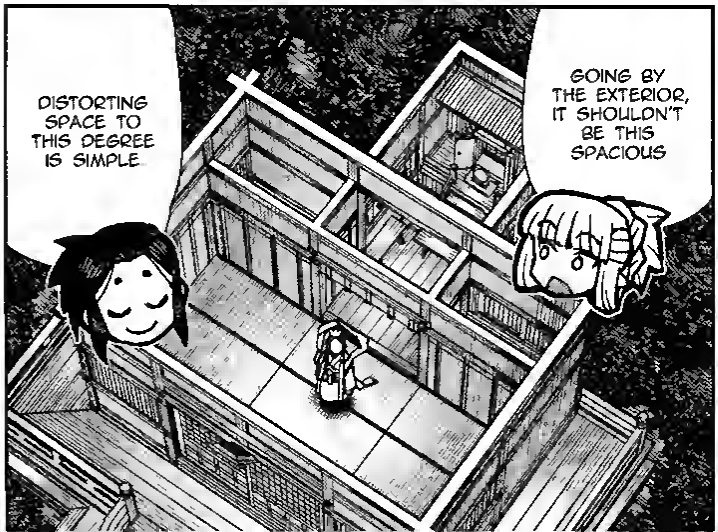
WAHAHAHAHA! KANAKA WAS UNDEFEATED AT TSUZURA TEMPLE, AFTER ALL!
HUH?!
KUKURI
SFX BAM!!
NNNNGH! I CAN'T BE THE WEAKEST! I'M DOING IT TOO!
STILL, MY REPUTATION AS A LAND GOD IS AT STAKE ONE MORE!
THAT MUCH STRENGTH AT THAT AGE IS PORTENTOUS.

HAAA
HAAA
HAAA
HAAA
SFX
FLOP
THIS MUCH IS ENOUGH FOR TODAY...
WE'RE STOPPING ALREADY-?



SFX BUBBLE BUBBLE

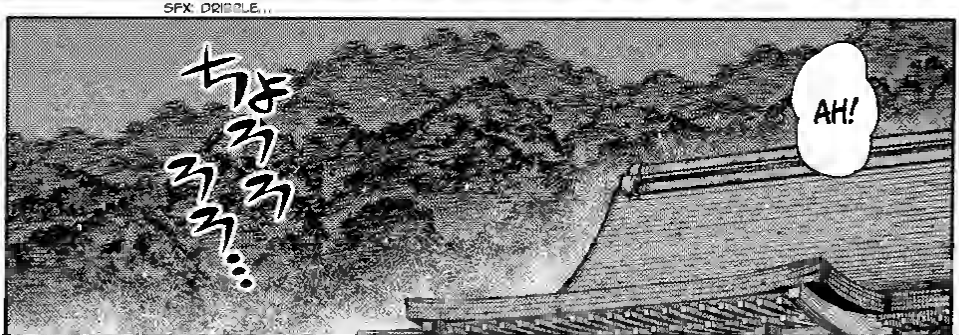
SFX SPLASH

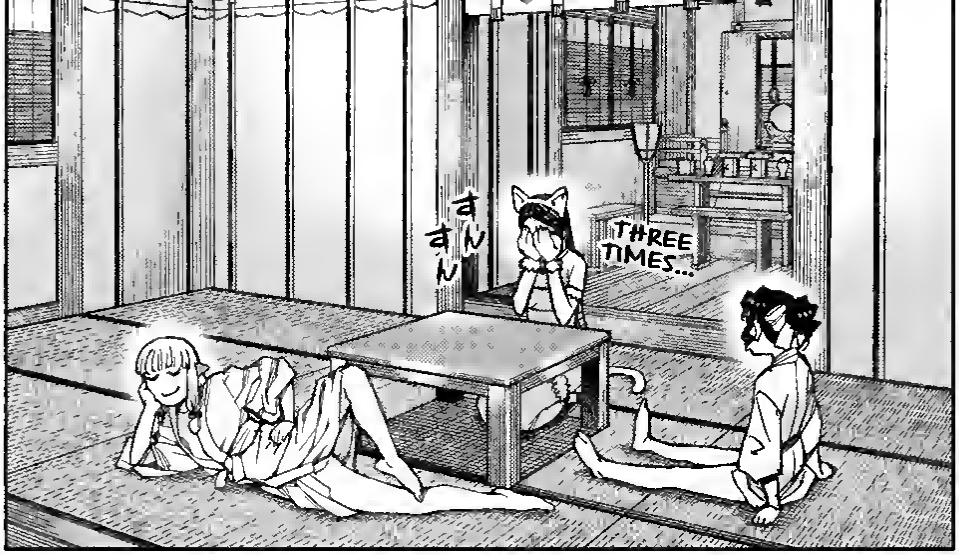

DISTORTING SPACE TO THIS DEGREE IS SIMPLE
GOING BY THE EXTERIOR, IT SHOULDN'T BE THIS SPACIOUS

BUT, WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?

I'VE GOT IT WASH THE MIGHTY GOD OF THE LAND INSTEAD
NO, I'M GOOD!
HEEEY, KIRIHA, SHOULD I WASH YOU?
SFX SNAP
HUH?
OH, SO YOU'VE LEARNED PROPER CONDUCT? PLEASE, GO AHEAD
AYE AYEEE
SFX CHOP CHOP
EH?
OKAY, SIT HEEERE.

AAAH!
A LITTLE MORE NORMALLY, PL...
UMM— WAI...
WHA AHH?
GROPE GROPE GROPE
GROPE♥
HEY!
SQUISH♥
RUB RUB RUB
WAI— KIRIHA, HELP... AH— WHAT IN THE...
IT'S SKIN-SHIP.
AH!
AAAH!
TWIRL TWIRL TWIRL
AH!
FEEL FEEL

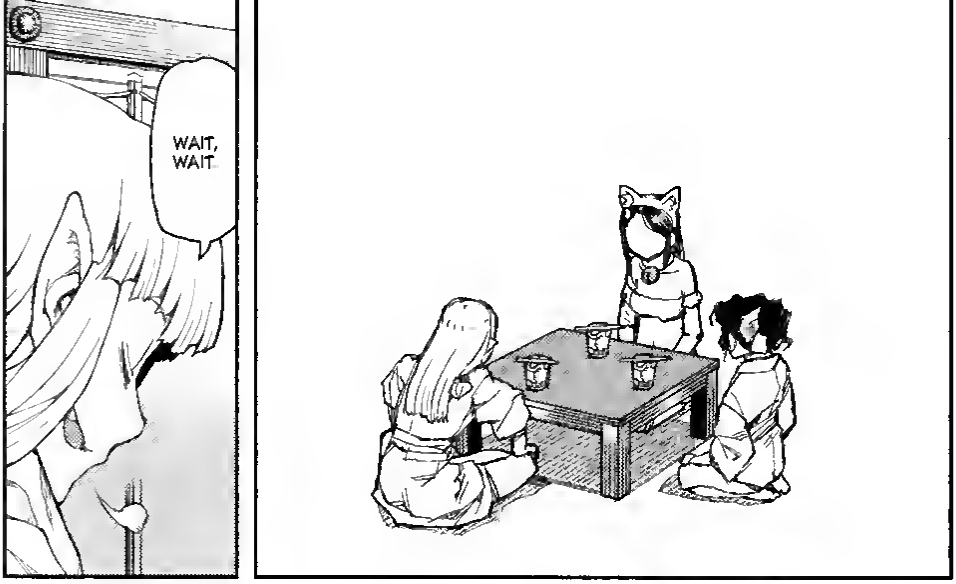

SFX: DRIBBLE...
AH!


SFX
SOB
SOB
すん
すん
THREE TIMES...

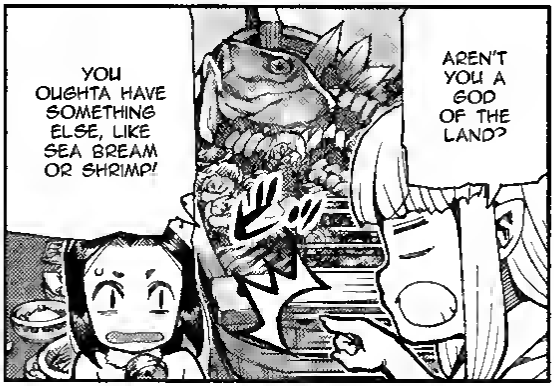
...FINE, WHAT-EVER.
AHHH, O GOD OF THE LAND

SO BLUNT WITH A GOD?!
AHHH, I'M HUNGRY. GOT ANY-THING, KUKURI?

SFX
TAP
トッ…
MAN
マンドバナ


WAIT, WAIT

NO, THAT IS...
DON'T TELL ME, THIS IS THE ONLY KIND OF THING YOU'VE BEEN EATING?


YOU OUGHTA HAVE SOMETHING ELSE, LIKE SEA BREAM OR SHRIMP!
AREN'T YOU A GOD OF THE LAND?

SFX. URK

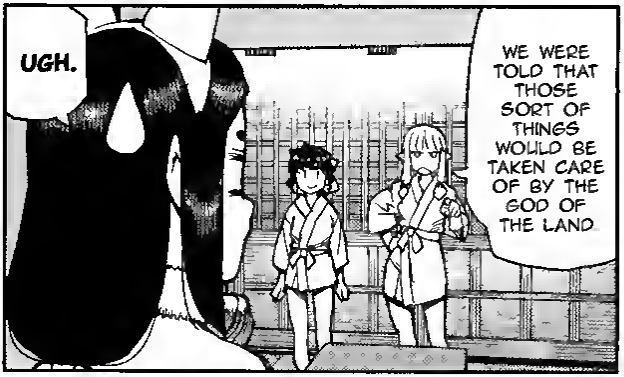
NO! I MANAGED TO SCRAPE TOGETHER THE MONEY!
BEYOND JUST YOUR LIVING EXPENSES, YOU MADE YOUR EXORCIST TAKE CARE OF YOU AS WELL?

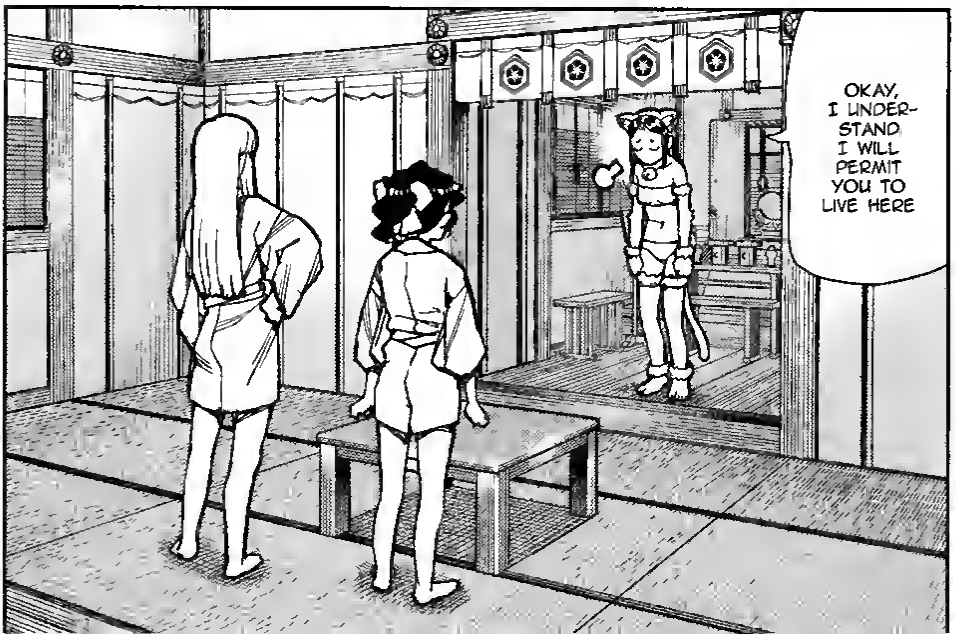
ONE RICE OMELETTE WITH GODDESS EMBLEM.
SHINKUROU HANDLED IT

I BORROWED FROM A LOCAL GOD
NO
AHHH, DONATIONS
...IS ALL SHE SAID
I'D LIKE YOU TO REPAY ME IN A DIFFERENT FORM, SOMEDAY IN THE FUTURE
WITHOUT ANY EXPECTATION OF REPAYMENT?
WHAT A KIND-HEARTED GOD, HUUUH...
HM?
NO, GET LOST.
HAVE YOU GOT ENOUGH BEDDING FOR A COUPLE GUESTS?
...ANYWAY, IT'S JUST ABOUT BEDTIME
EH?

YOU'VE GOT NO-WHERE TO LIVE?!

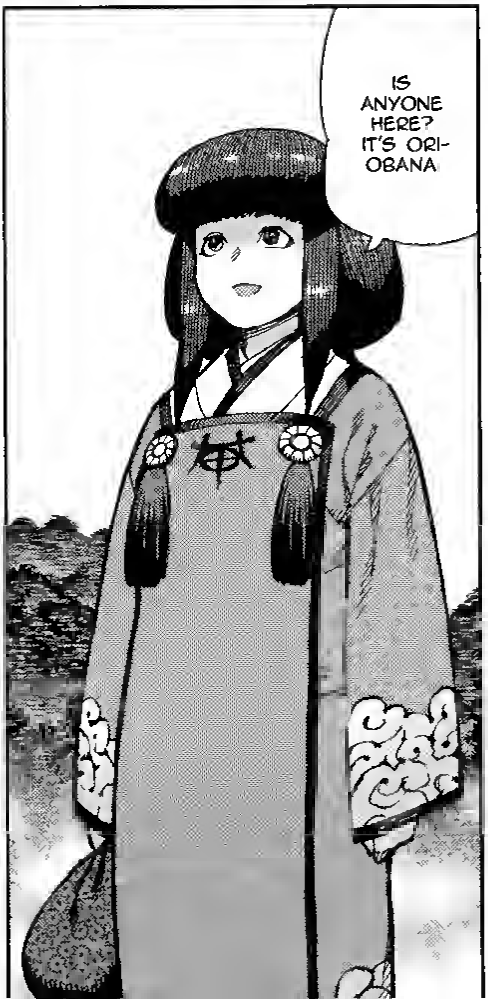
I HAVEN'T GOT THE KIND OF MONEY TO RENT THEM A...


UGH.
WE WERE TOLD THAT THOSE SORT OF THINGS WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF BY THE GOD OF THE LAND

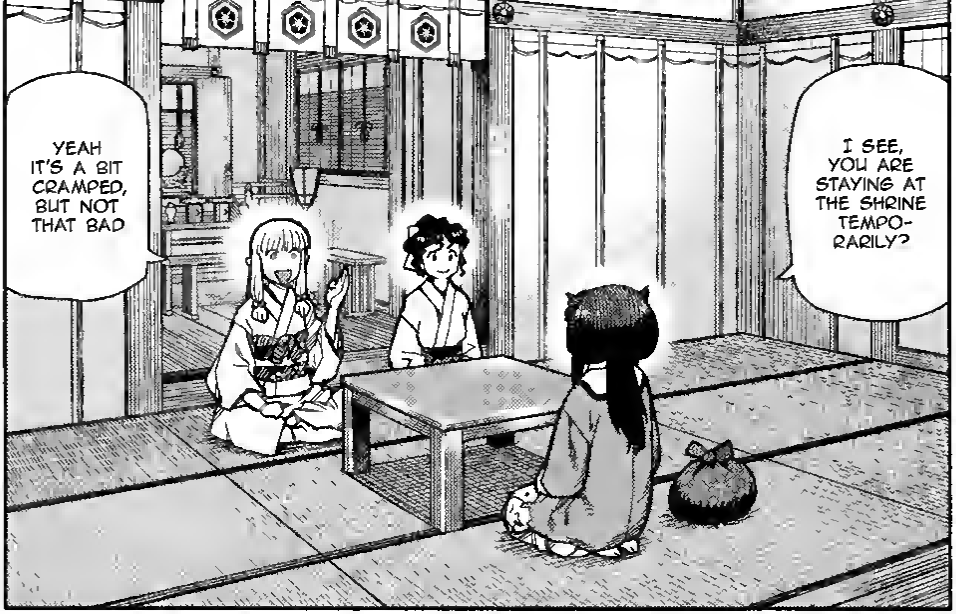

OKAY, I UNDER-STAND. I WILL PERMIT YOU TO LIVE HERE

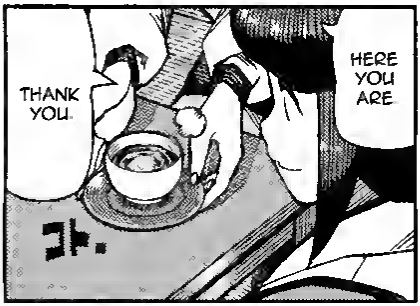
ONE WEEK LATER.

SFX SLIDE
WEL-COOO OME!
HEEEY, IT'S OUNA!


IS ANYONE HERE? IT'S ORI-OBANA

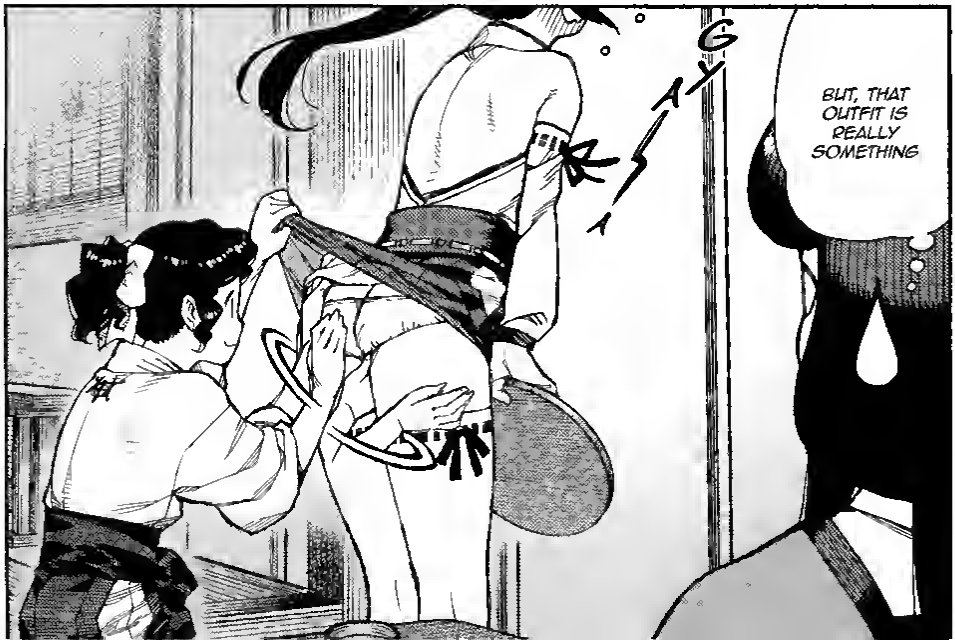
OH?


YEAH IT'S A BIT CRAMPED, BUT NOT THAT BAD
I SEE, YOU ARE STAYING AT THE SHRINE TEMPO-RARILY?


THANK YOU.
HERE YOU ARE

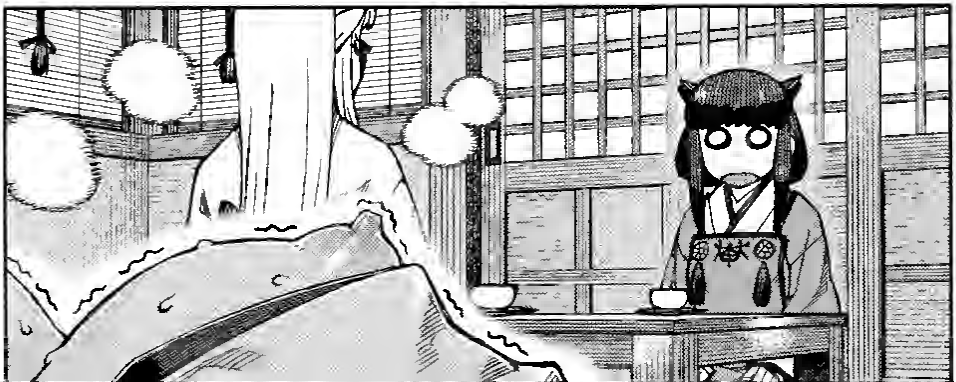
OKA AAY!
HEEEY, WHERE IS THE TEA?

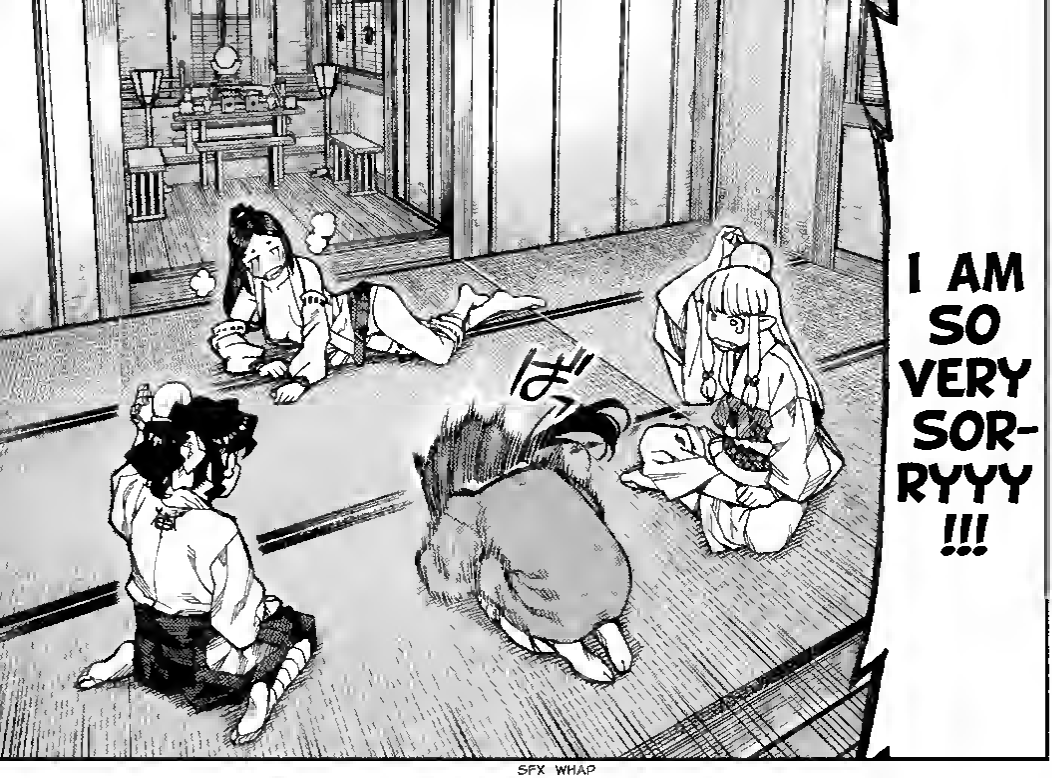
SFX CLUNK


BUT, THAT OUTFIT IS REALLY SOMETHING

ANYWAY, THERE'S NOTHING TO GO WITH IT. GET THE PUDDING THE PUDDING
PUDDING WITH TEA...
I-I AM SORRY
IT'S LUKEWARM! YOU CAN'T EVEN PREPARE TEA PROPERLY?!
PUNISHMEEENT!
AAAAH!
AH! AH!
B-BY THE WAY, WHERE IS MISTRESS KUKURI?
SHE'S RIGHT OVER THERE

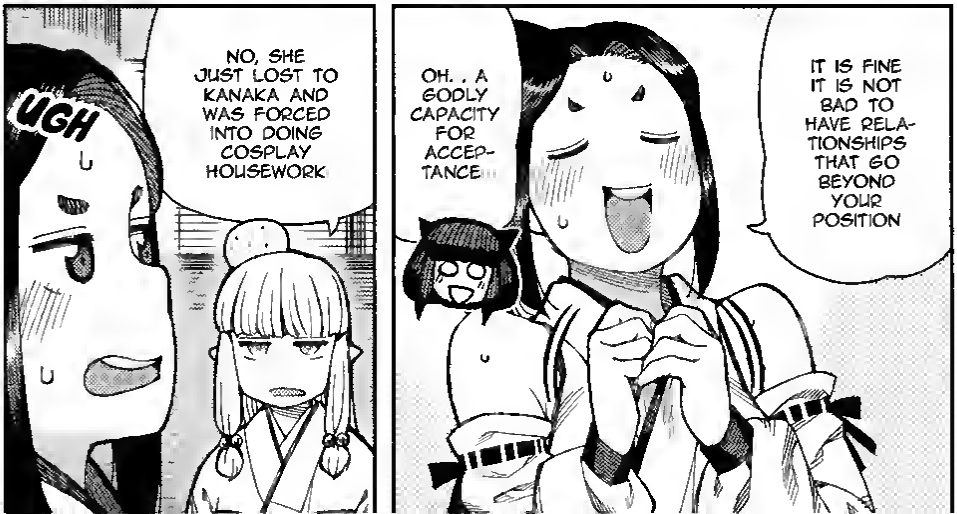
HAAAH
HAAAH
HAAAH
HAAAH
THE GREAT AND MYS-TERIOUS AVATAR OF HAKUSAN,
KUKURI-HIME-NO-MIKOTO.

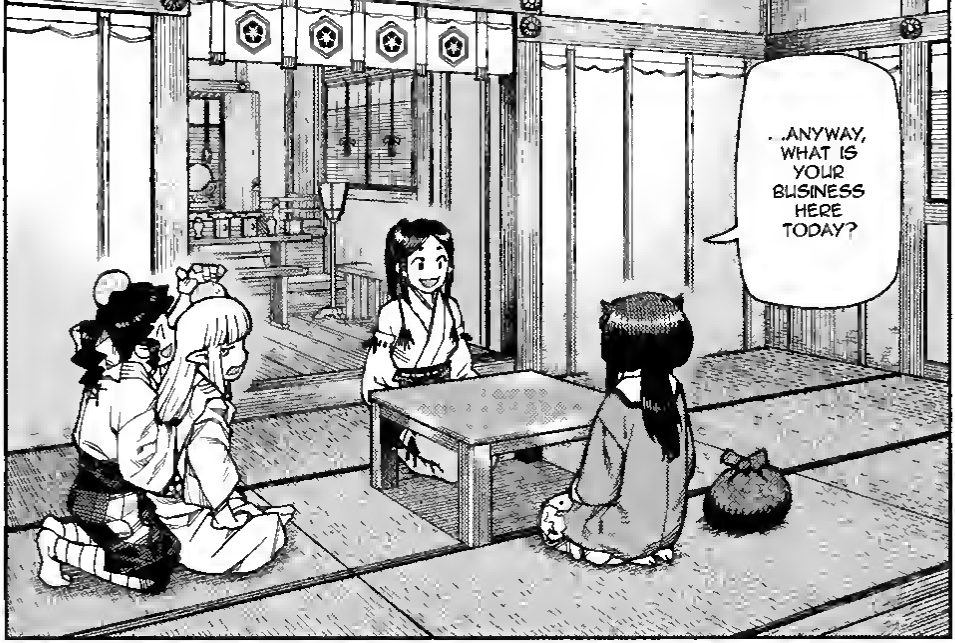




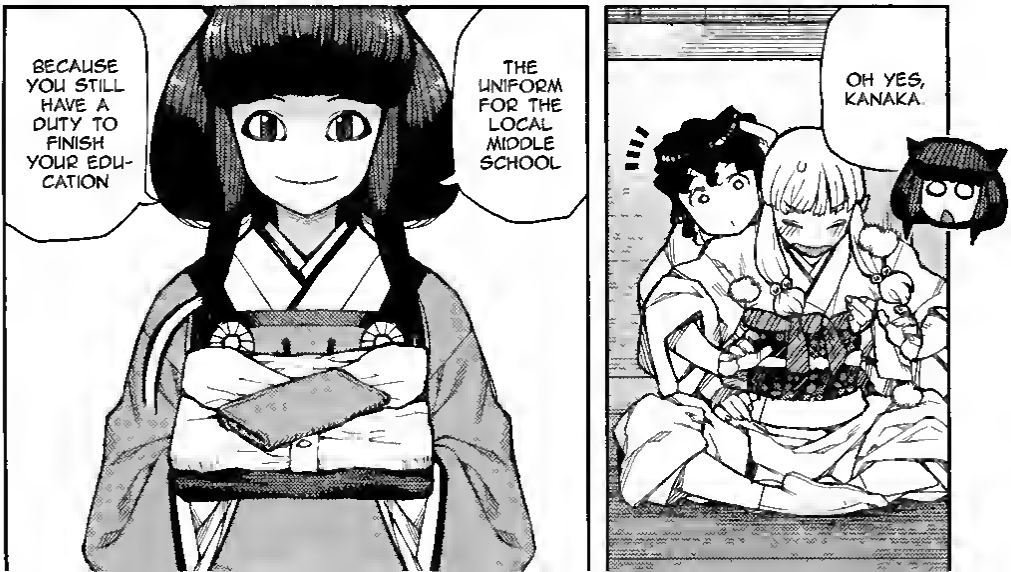
SFX WHAP

SFX GASP

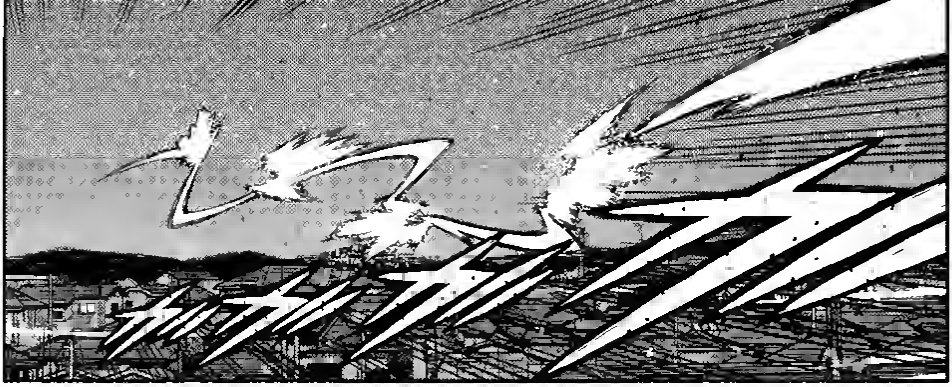

UGH
NO, SHE JUST LOST TO KANAKA AND WAS FORCED INTO DOING COSPLAY HOUSEWORK
OH. . A GODLY CAPACITY FOR ACCEP-TANCE...
IT IS FINE IT IS NOT BAD TO HAVE RELA-TIONSHIPS THAT GO BEYOND YOUR POSITION


..ANYWAY, WHAT IS YOUR BUSINESS HERE TODAY?

I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OCCASION TO OFFER THIS, IN APOLOGY FOR ALL THE TROUBLE...
HOOOO! AN ASSORTMENT OF MIZU YOKAN!
THERE IS NO PUDDING, HUH...


OH YES, KANAKA.
THE UNIFORM FOR THE LOCAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
BECAUSE YOU STILL HAVE A DUTY TO FINISH YOUR EDUCATION

THIS WAS WHEN..
SFX: YAWN
..KANAKA'S DOUBLE LIFE AS AN EXORCIST..
YAWN...
..AND A MIDDLE SCHOOL-ER BEGAN



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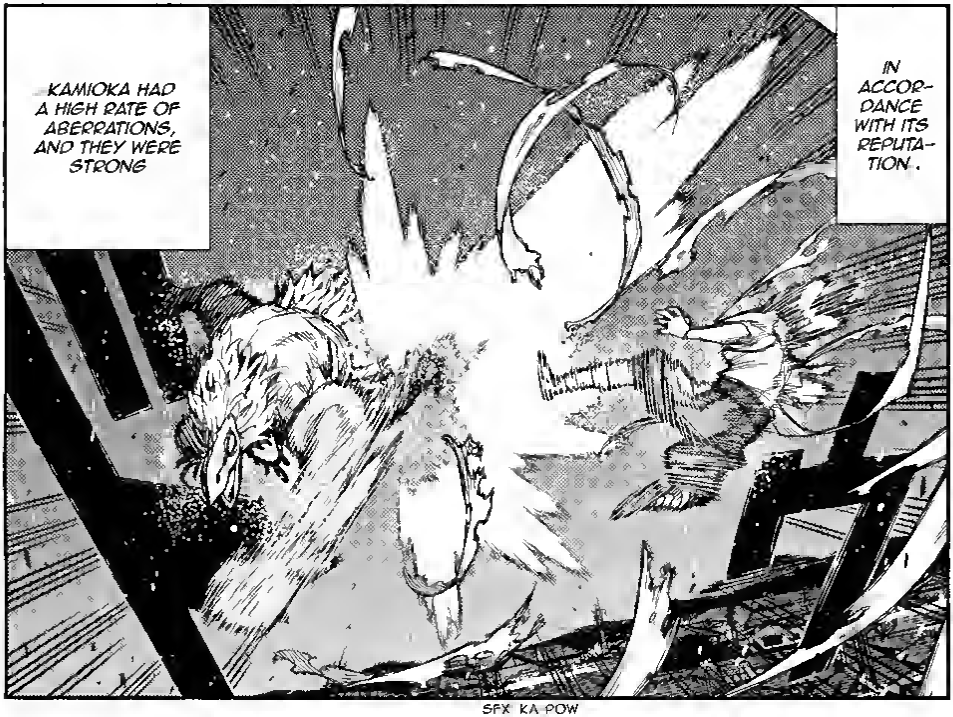

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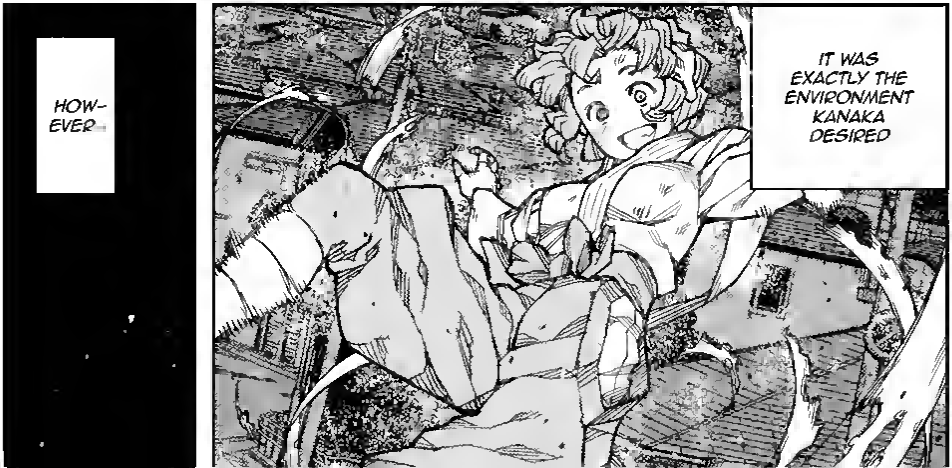

WHEN SHE REACHED HIGH SCHOOL, SHE STARTED SHOWING THAT HOLLOW EXPRESSION ONCE AGAIN.
KANAKA'S ABILITY NOW FAR SURPASSED KAMIOKA'S HIGH LEVEL ABERRATIONS. SHE HAD JUST ABOUT HUNTED THEM TO EXTINCTION, AFTER ALL.
THE REASON WAS SIMPLE
ULTIMATELY...
...KANAKA'S GREATEST ENEMY WAS BOREDOM.

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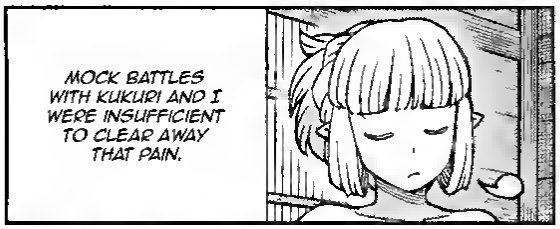
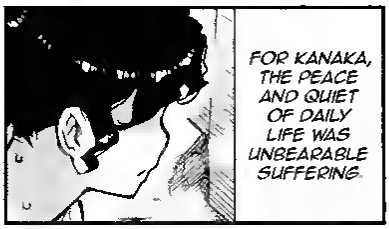
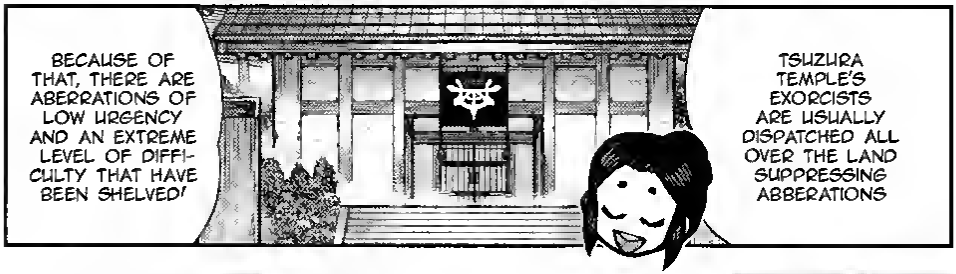
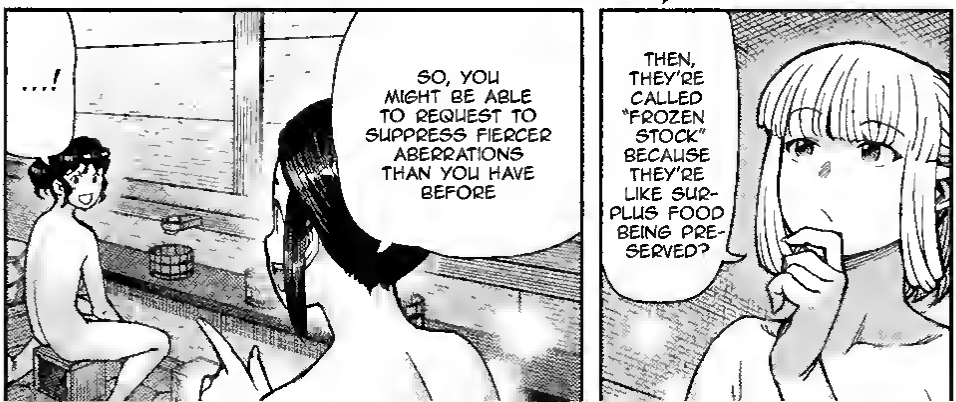

MOCK BATTLES WITH KUKURI AND I WERE INSUFFICIENT TO CLEAR AWAY THAT PAIN.


FOR KANAKA, THE PEACE AND QUIET OF DAILY LIFE WAS UNBEARABLE SUFFERING.

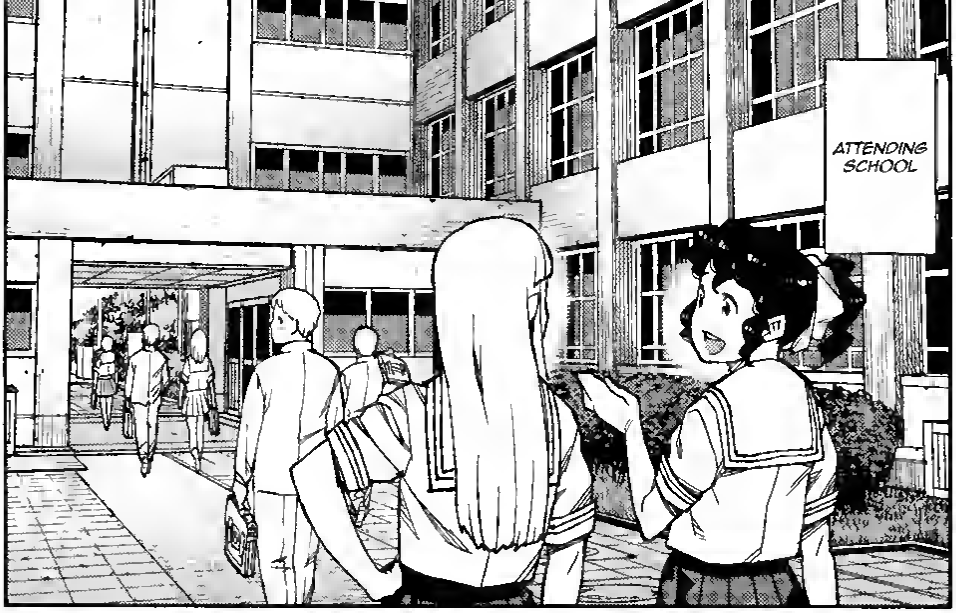
I HAVE AN IN-GENIOUS PLAN!
AND THEN

THE "FROZEN STOCK"!
EH?

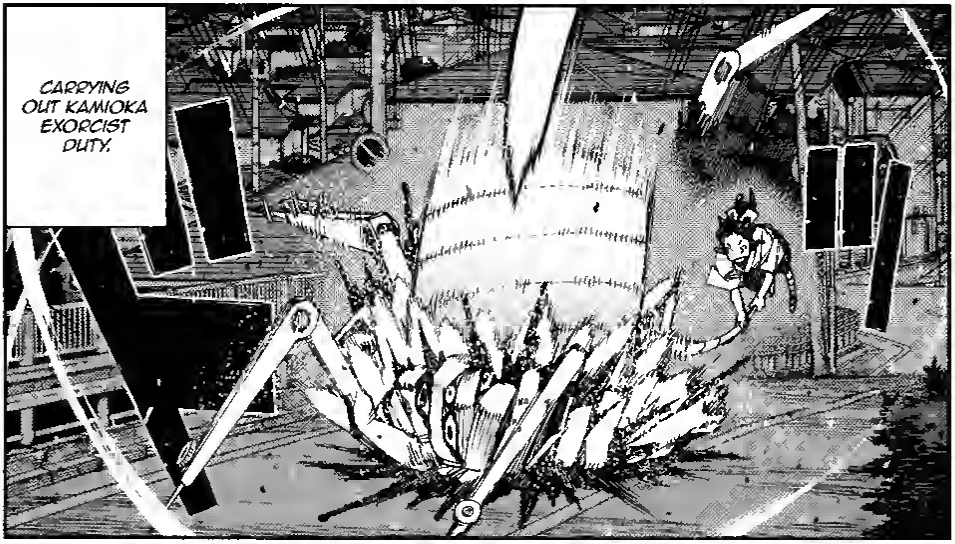

TSUZURA TEMPLE'S EXORCISTS ARE USUALLY DISPATCHED ALL OVER THE LAND SUPPRESSING ABBERATIONS
BECAUSE OF THAT, THERE ARE ABERRATIONS OF LOW URGENCY AND AN EXTREME LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY THAT HAVE BEEN SHELVED!


THEN, THEY'RE CALLED "FROZEN STOCK" BECAUSE THEY'RE LIKE SURPLUS FOOD BEING PRESERVED?
SO, YOU MIGHT BE ABLE TO REQUEST TO SUPPRESS FIERCER ABERRATIONS THAN YOU HAVE BEFORE
...!

SFX RUB RUB
DON'T MENTION IT. I WILL TRY ASKING TSUZURA TEMPLE RIGHT AWAY.
KUKURIII, THANK YOUUU!
SFX FWIP
SFX FWAP
OKAAAY, YOUR REWARD!
EHHHH?!
SFX DRIBBLE
AH!
AH!
AH!
AHHHH!



SFX SMASH



SFX CLANG CLANG

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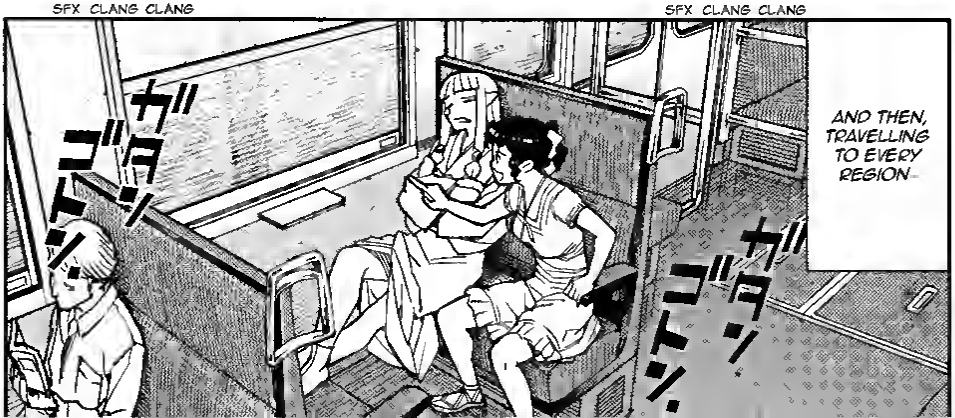

, TO SUP-
PRESS
"FROZEN
STOCK"
ABERRA-
TIONS.

SFX TATTERED
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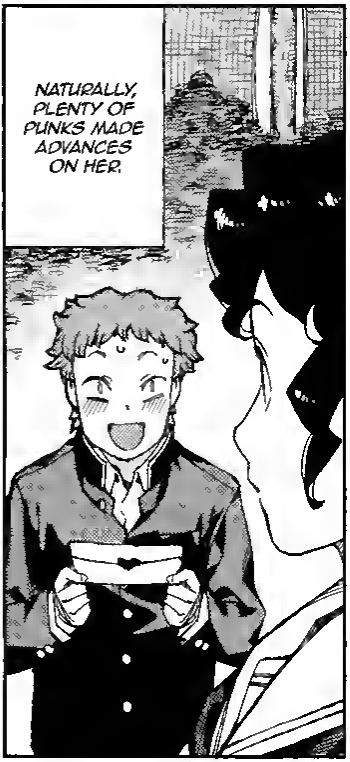
THAT LIFE KEPT US EXTREMELY BUSY, BUT...
THANKS TO IT, KANAKA'S CHEERFULNESS WAS RESTORED.

LEADING THAT HIGH SCHOOL LIFE, WE REACHED THE SPRING OF HER JUNIOR YEAR.

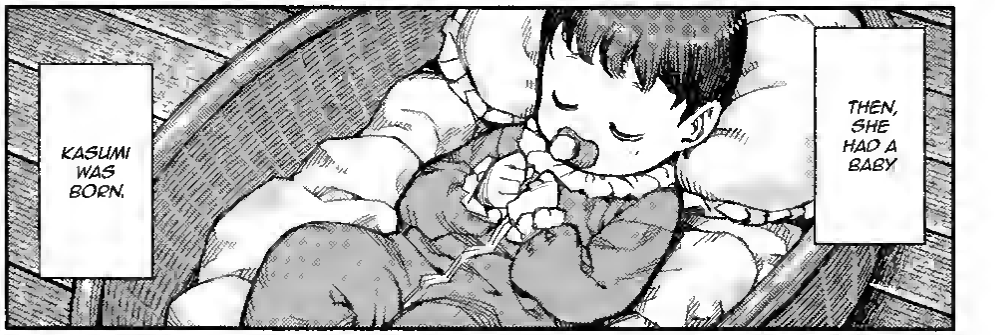

NATURALLY, PLENTY OF PUNKS MADE ADVANCES ON HER.

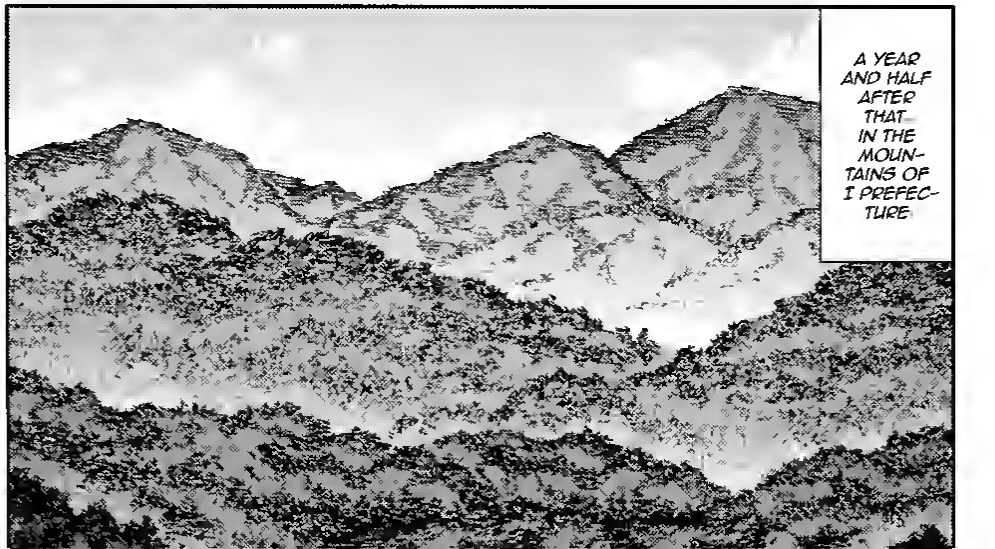
SHE STILL COULDN'T MATCH ME, BUT AT SOME POINT KANAKA HAD BECOME AN OTHER-WORLDLY BEAUTY.

I HAD TO PROTECT HER FROM THOSE UNSAVORY TYPES
DESPITE WHAT A CAPABLE EXORCIST SHE HAD BECOME, SHE WAS STILL JUST A NAIVE GIRL

KAGAMI KAZUAKI!
AND WHAT'S MORE, AMIDST ALL THE GUYS THAT BROKE WHEN INTIMIDATED, THERE WAS A PUNK WHO WOULDN'T GIVE UP SO EASILY.
MY GUARD WAS BEYOND FIERCE.
EHHH!!
BEFORE I KNEW IT, THEY WERE GOING OUT.
SHE SWINGS BOTH WAYS!!
AFTER HOW MERCILESSLY KANAKA HAD CULTIVATED US, IT WAS SHOCKING

KANAKA AND I MOVED INTO THE KAGAMI HOUSE-HOLD.
THEY COULDN'T LIVE THEIR NEWLYWED LIFE AT THE SHRINE, SO...
SO SOON!!
KANAKA GOT MARRIED STRAIGHT OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL.


KASUMI WAS BORN.
THEN, SHE HAD A BABY


A YEAR AND HALF AFTER THAT... IN THE MOUN-TAINS OF I PREFEC-TURE.

HEY, KANA-KA.
JUST QUIT THE ASSIGN-MENT ALREADY
YOU NEED TO PROTECT YOUR BODY
THIS TIME, KANAKA WAS CARRYING ANOTHER NEW LIFE INSIDE HER
I'M FINE, I'M FIIINE I WAS FINE WHEN I HAD KASUMI, TOO.
WE HAD EXPERIENCE SUPPRESSING AN UNTOLD NUMBER OF EXTREMELY DIFFICULT "FROZEN STOCK".
THANKS TO THAT, WE GOT CARELESS.

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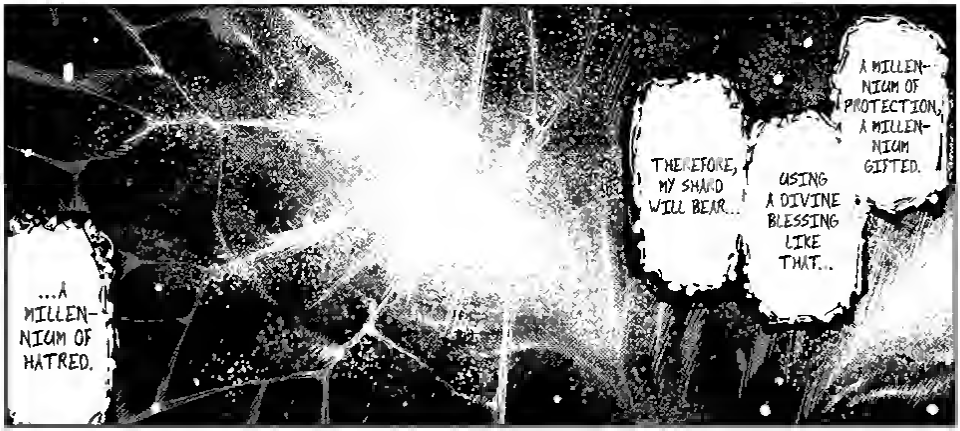
WHAT
IS
THAT?!
SFX GLOOM
WHO
IS...?

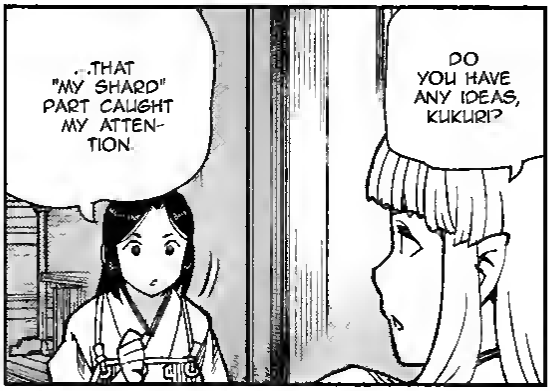
AHH, YOU'RE DOOMED, YOU'RE DOOMED...

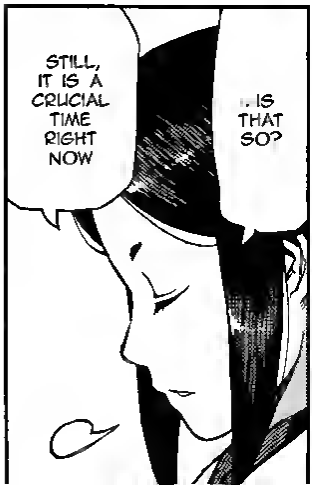

A MILLENNIUM OF PROTECTION, A MILLENNIUM GIFTED.
USING A DIVINE BLESSING LIKE THAT..
THEREFORE, MY SWORD WILL BEAR...
...A MILLENNIUM OF HATRED.

SFX GLOOM
I'M FINE.
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, KANAKA?
SFX POOF
IT VANISHED
SFX SHOOM

SO THAT'S WHAT HAP-PENED...

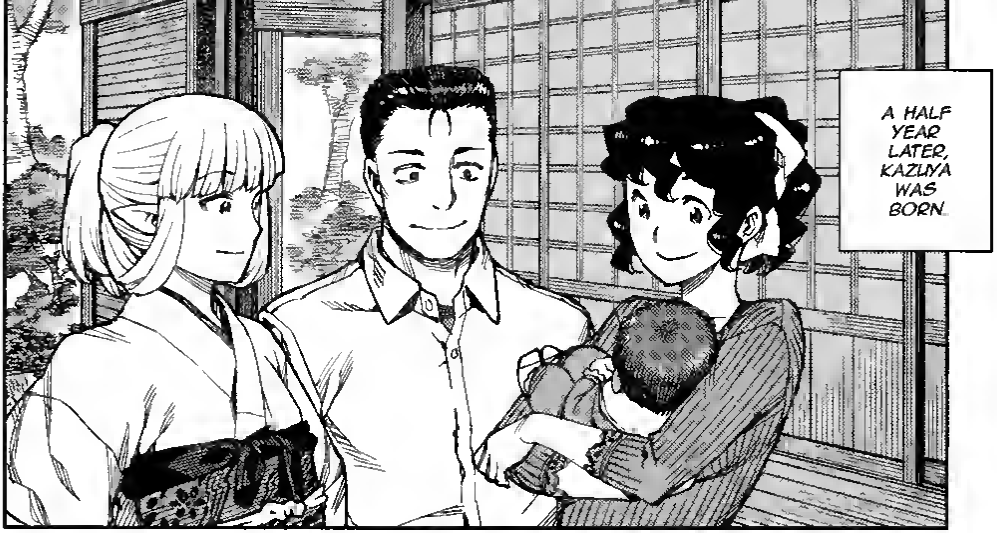
A "STONE SHARD" IS A STONE OF POWER POS-SESSED ONLY BY GODS OF THE LAND
THAT ABERRATION MAY HAVE BEEN THE REMAINS OF A GOD'S SPIRIT.


DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS, KUKURI?
...THAT "MY SHARD" PART CAUGHT MY ATTEN-TION.


...IS THAT SO?
STILL, IT IS A CRUCIAL TIME RIGHT NOW

IT DOES NOT APPEAR TO HAVE AFFECTED YOUR BODY, BUT HOW DO YOU FEEL?
HMMMM, NOT AT ALL UN-USUAL.

NOOO!
FOR NOW, I AM PROHIBITING ANY "FROZEN STOCK"!
I'M NOT QUITTING UNTIL YOU GIVE THE OKAY!
AH!
AH!
I ABSOLUTELY WILL NOT! AAAHH!
SFX FWAP
SFX DRIBBLE
AHH!
THAT MYSTERIOUS ABERRATION WOULD LATER EXERT A GREAT INFLUENCE ON KANAKA AND KAZUYA


A HALF YEAR LATER, KAZUYA WAS BORN.

SFX: WHOOSH

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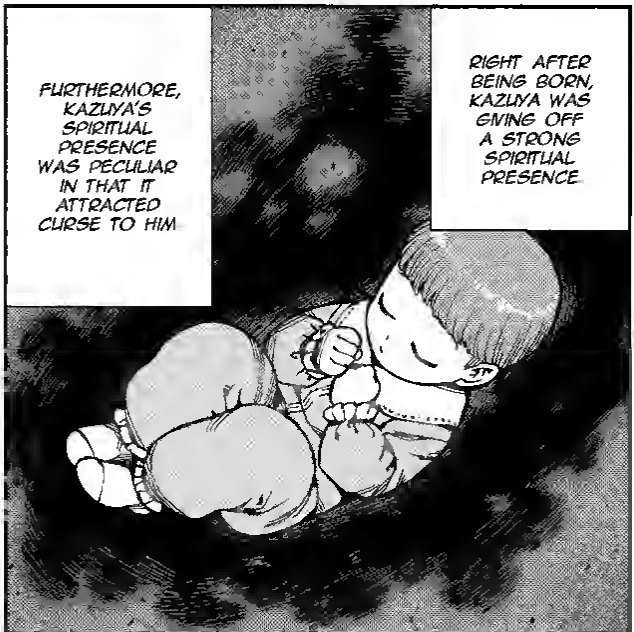
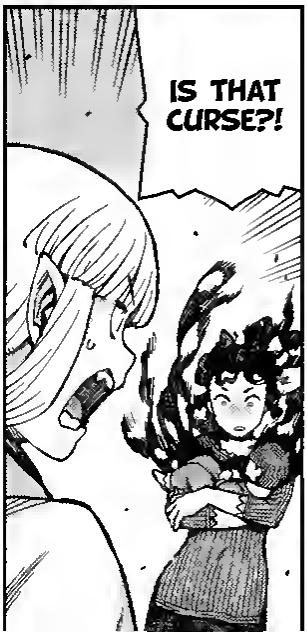
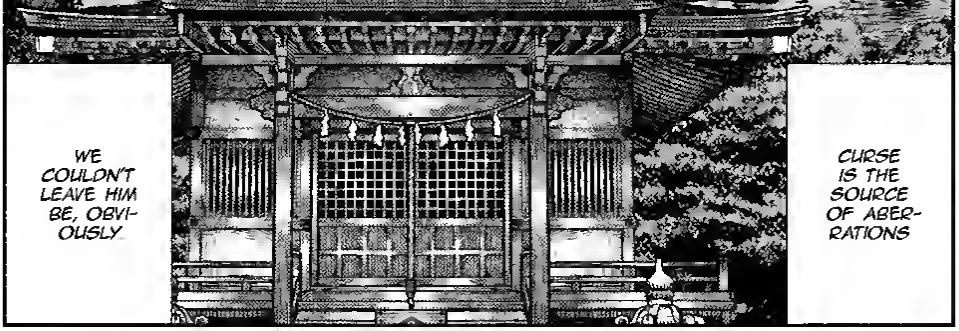
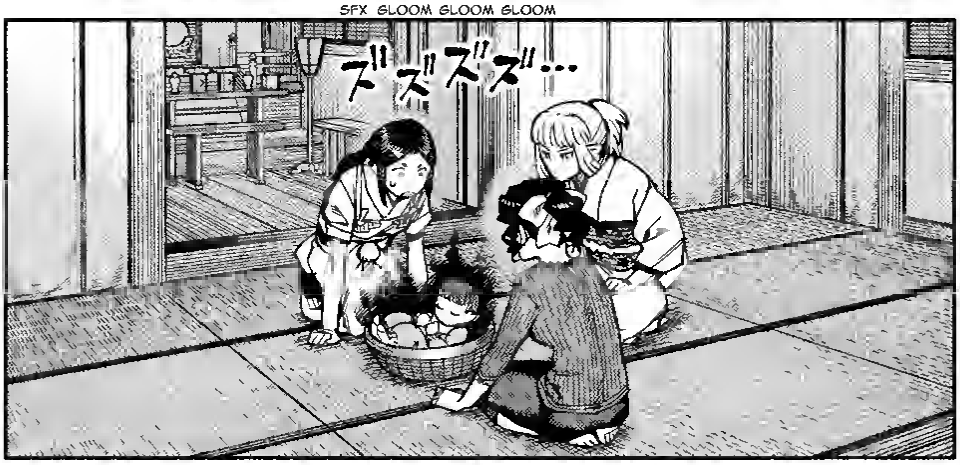
HOWEVER, IT'S NOT LIKE EVERYTHING WENT SMOOTHLY


FURTHERMORE, KAZUYA'S SPIRITUAL PRESENCE WAS PECULIAR IN THAT IT ATTRACTED CURSE TO HIM.
RIGHT AFTER BEING BORN, KAZUYA WAS GIVING OFF A STRONG SPIRITUAL PRESENCE.


IS THAT CURSE?!

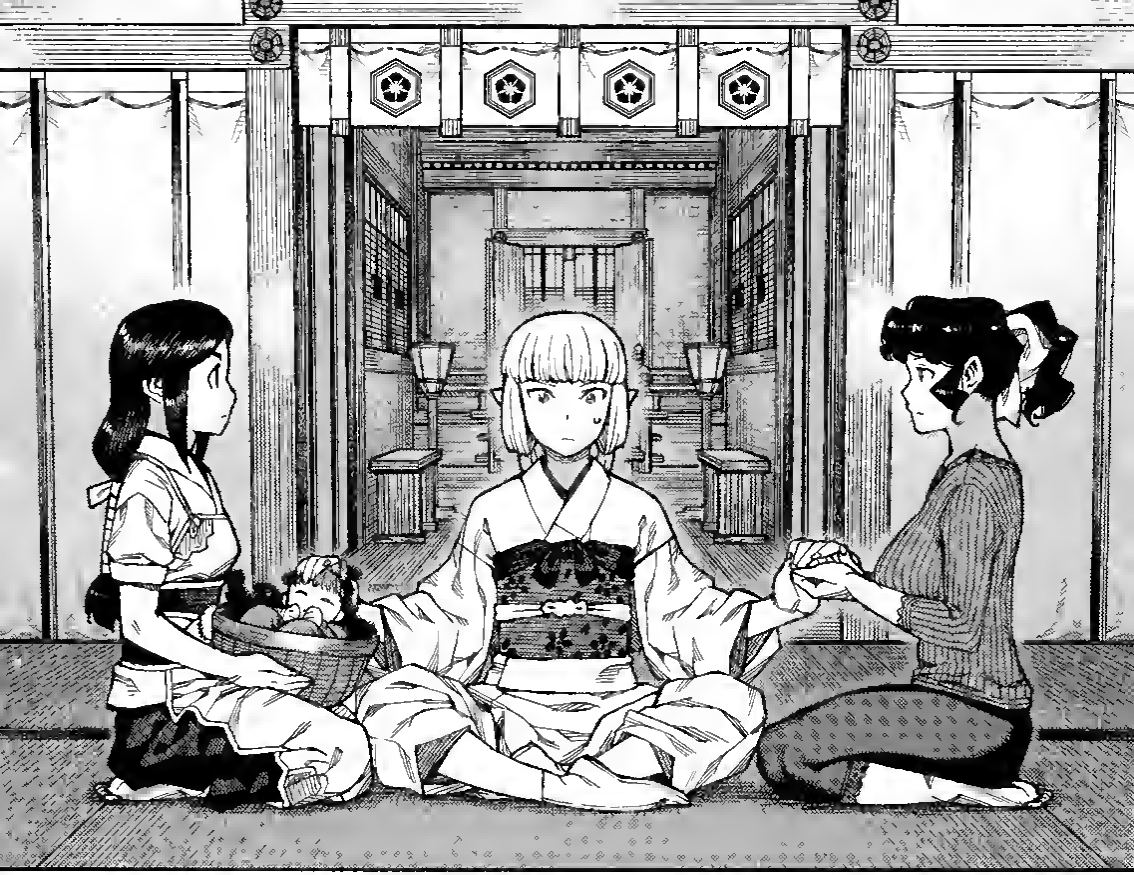

WE COULDN'T LEAVE HIM BE, OBVIOUSLY.
CURSE IS THE SOURCE OF ABERRATIONS

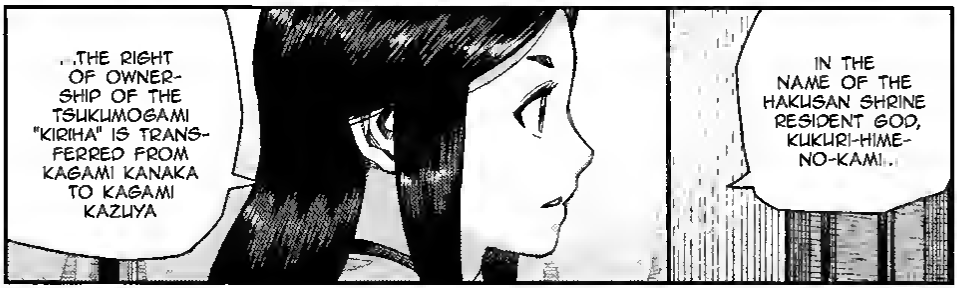

SFX GLOOM GLOOM GLOOM
ブゾブゾブゾ…

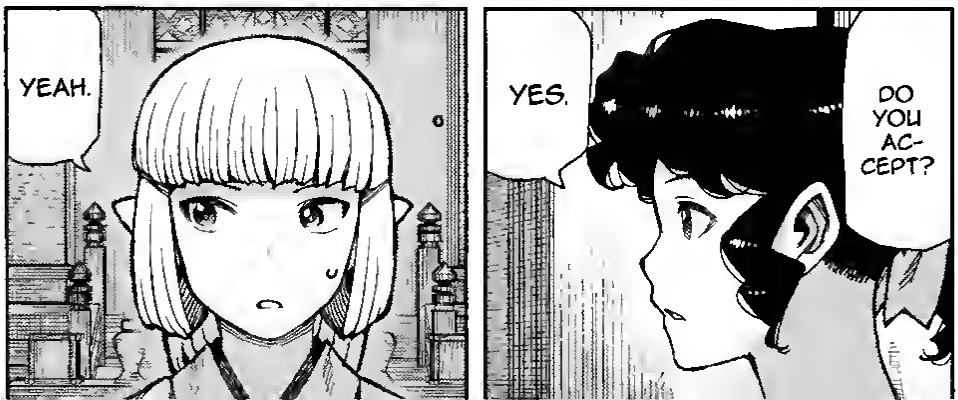
...
WHAT CAN WE DO, KUKURI?

BUT, I'VE NEVER HEARD OF IT BEING THIS POWERFUL
FROM ANCIENT TIMES, THIS SORT OF BABY HAS BEEN CALLED A "TABOO CHILD"

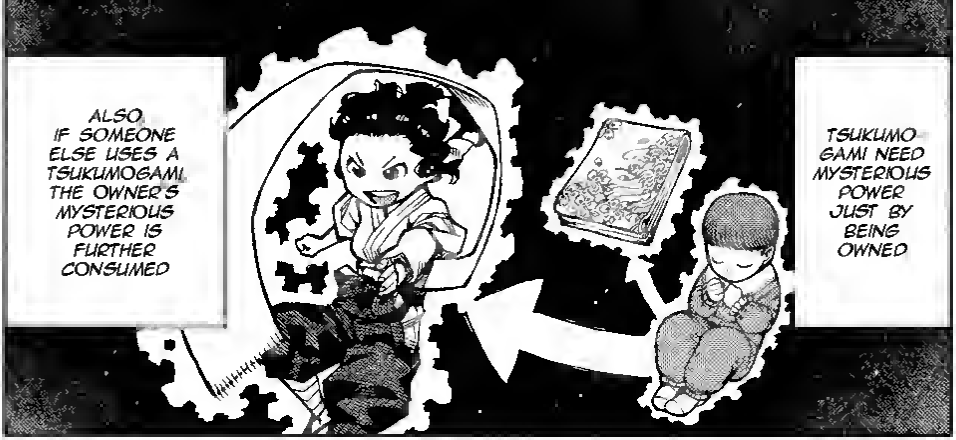
THERE IS SOMETHING WE CAN DO.

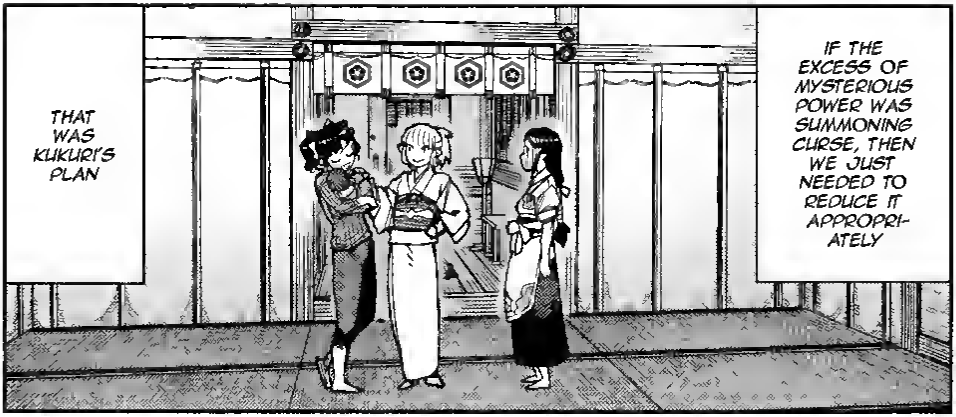


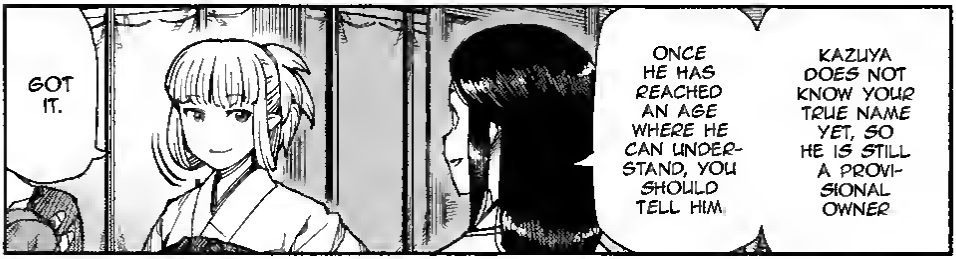

...THE RIGHT OF OWNERSHIP OF THE TSUKUMOGAMI "KIRIHA" IS TRANSFERRED FROM KAGAMI KANAKA TO KAGAMI KAZUYA
IN THE NAME OF THE HAKUSAN SHRINE RESIDENT GOD, KUKURI-HIME-NO-KAMI...


YEAH.
YES.
DO YOU ACCEPT?

SFX GLOW
パアアアア…
...WITH THAT, KIRIHA NOW BELONGS TO KAZUYA.
SFX FADE
SFX GLOOM GLOOM GLOOM
ズズズ…
AH!
THE CURSE IS WITHDRAWING! WORKED LIKE A CHARM!


TSUKUMOGAMI NEED MYSTERIOUS POWER JUST BY BEING OWNED
ALSO, IF SOMEONE ELSE USES A TSUKUMOGAMI, THE OWNER'S MYSTERIOUS POWER IS FURTHER CONSUMED


IF THE EXCESS OF MYSTERIOUS POWER WAS SUMMONING CURSE, THEN WE JUST NEEDED TO REDUCE IT APPROPRIATELY
THAT WAS KUKURI'S PLAN


KAZUYA DOES NOT KNOW YOUR TRUE NAME YET, SO HE IS STILL A PROVISIONAL OWNER
ONCE HE HAS REACHED AN AGE WHERE HE CAN UNDERSTAND, YOU SHOULD TELL HIM
GOT IT.

...AS FOR YOU, KANAKA YOU CANNOT REMEMBER KIRIHA'S TRUE NAME ANY MORE, CAN YOU?
AH! YOU'RE RIGHT, WEEEIRD
RIGHT, KIRIHA...?
WHAT IS THE MATTER?

WHAT THE HECK?!
SFX POOF
AHH!
RARELY, YOUR HUMAN FORM WILL CHANGE WHEN YOU CHANGE OWNER OR SO I'VE HEARD...
SFX FEEL FEEL
YOU REALLY HAVE CHANGED!
WHERE ARE YOU CHECK-ING?!
さわさわ...

4 YEARS LATER

SFX: FWIP

I'LL DO IT!
AROUND THEN, KANAKA WAS PLANNING TO MAKE ONE OF THEM HER SUCCESSOR

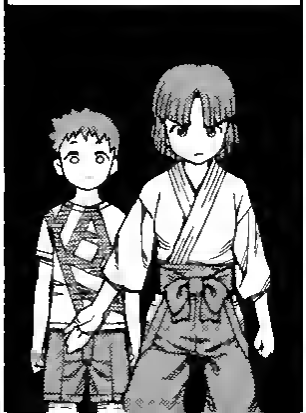
KASUMI, 6 YEARS OLD, KAZUYA, 4 YEARS OLD
THE TWO OF THEM GREW RAPIDLY

UNTIL THEN, IT HADN'T SEEMED LIKE KASUMI HAD THAT MUCH INTEREST IN BEING AN EXORCIST
I WAS ASTON-ISHED

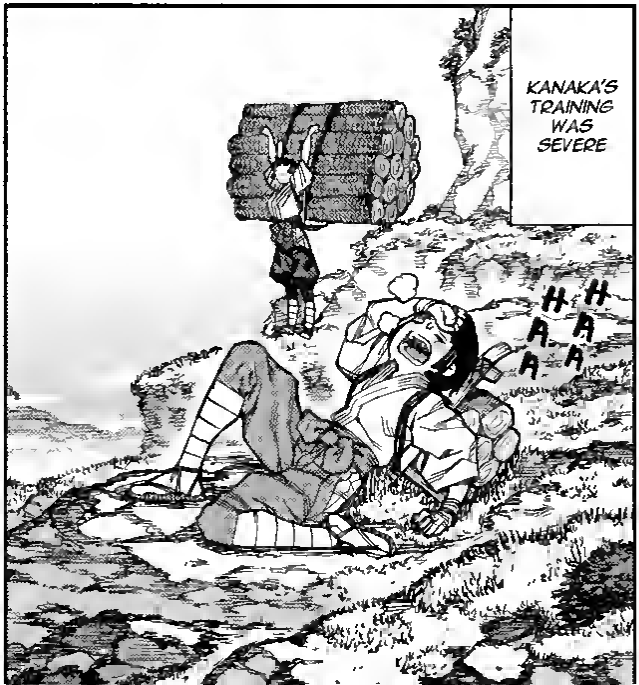
ドドドド…
SFX: ROAR
KASUMI, ARE YOU READYY YYY?
PLEASE START!
SFX: SPLOSH
THEN, HERE WE GOOO!

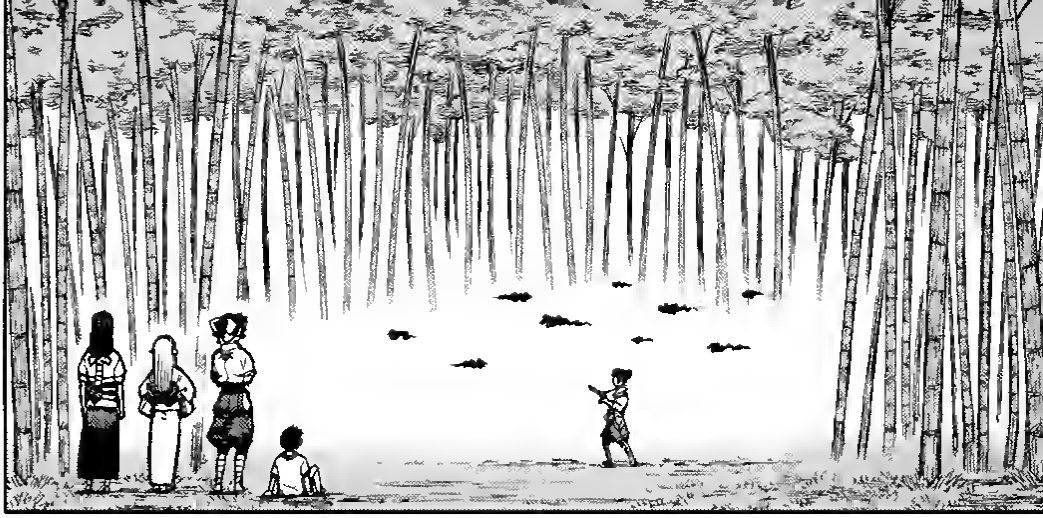
SFX
FWIP
HOY!
HU—!
SFX
ROAR

KASUMI HAD NAMED HERSELF THE SUCCESSOR IN ORDER TO PROTECT KAZUYA FROM THIS KIND OF SPECIAL TRAINING OR DANGEROUS ASSIGNMENTS

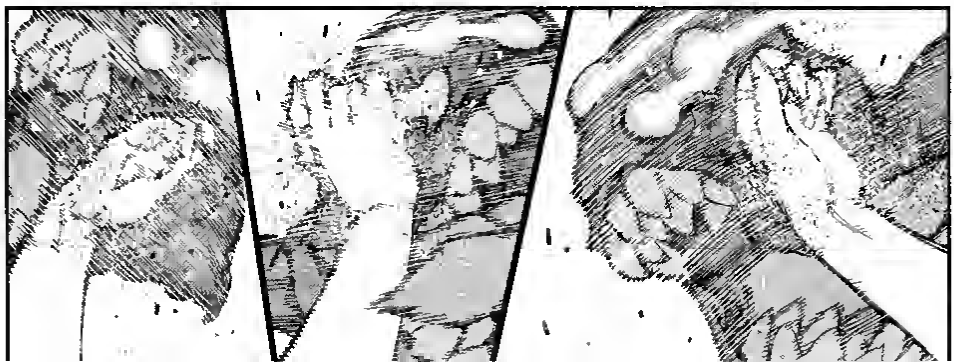


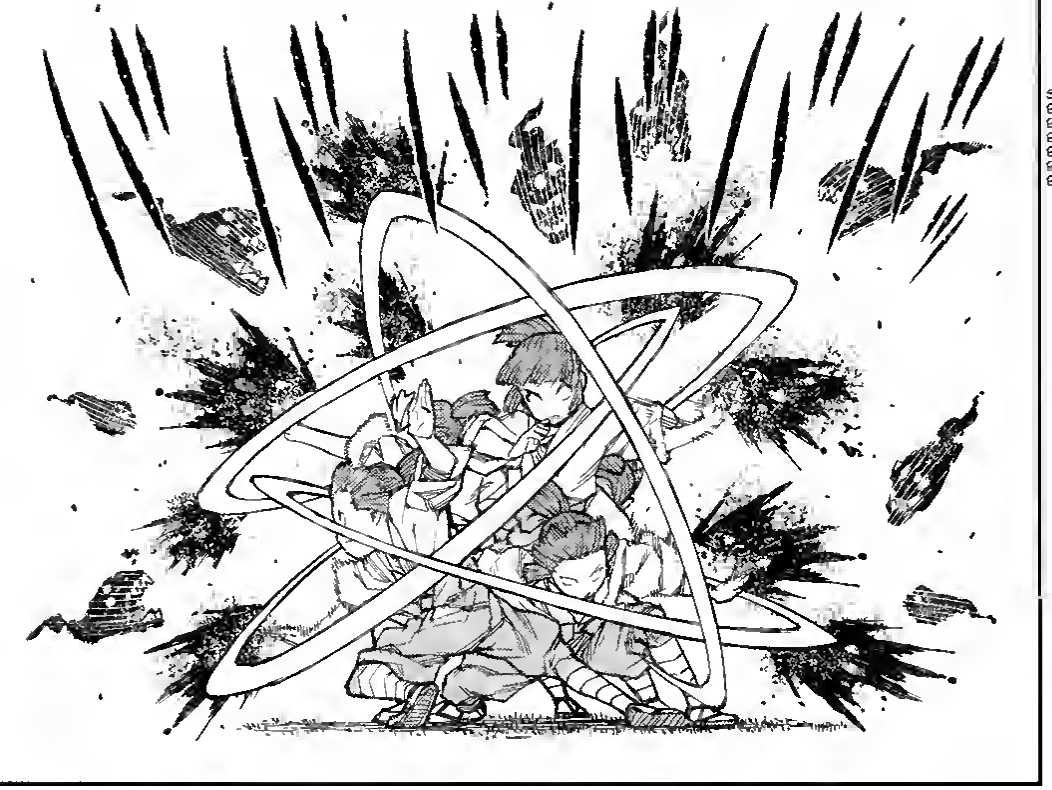
KANAKA'S TRAINING WAS SEVERE





SFX SHRIEK




SFX
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
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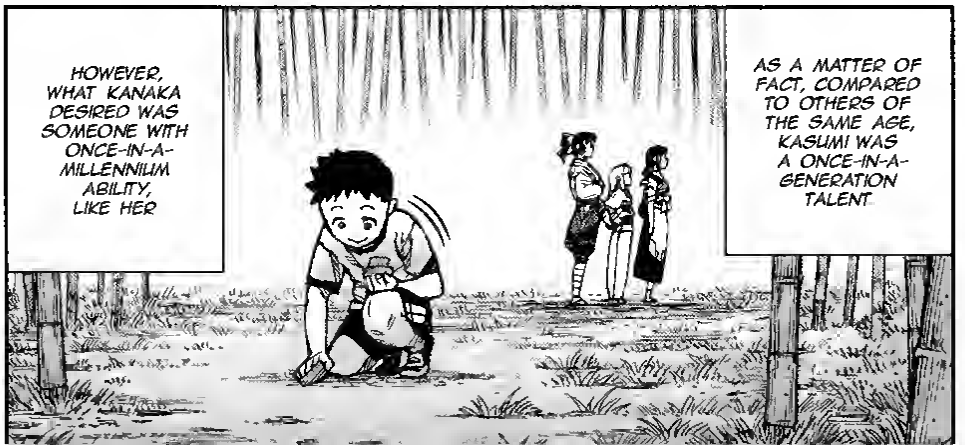
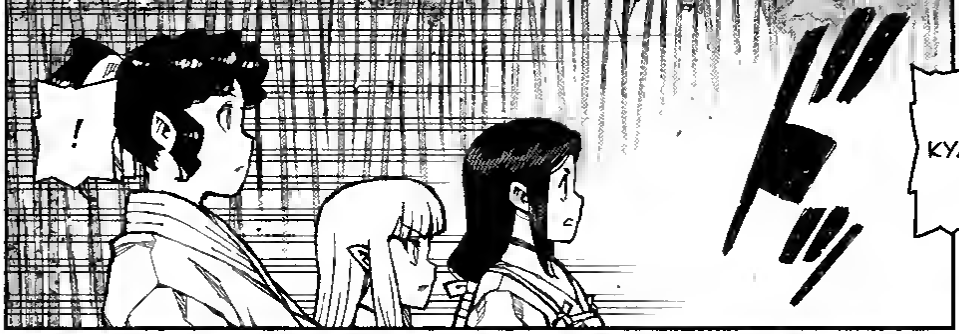
NAH
WHAT, IS THERE SOMETHING UNSATISFACTORY?

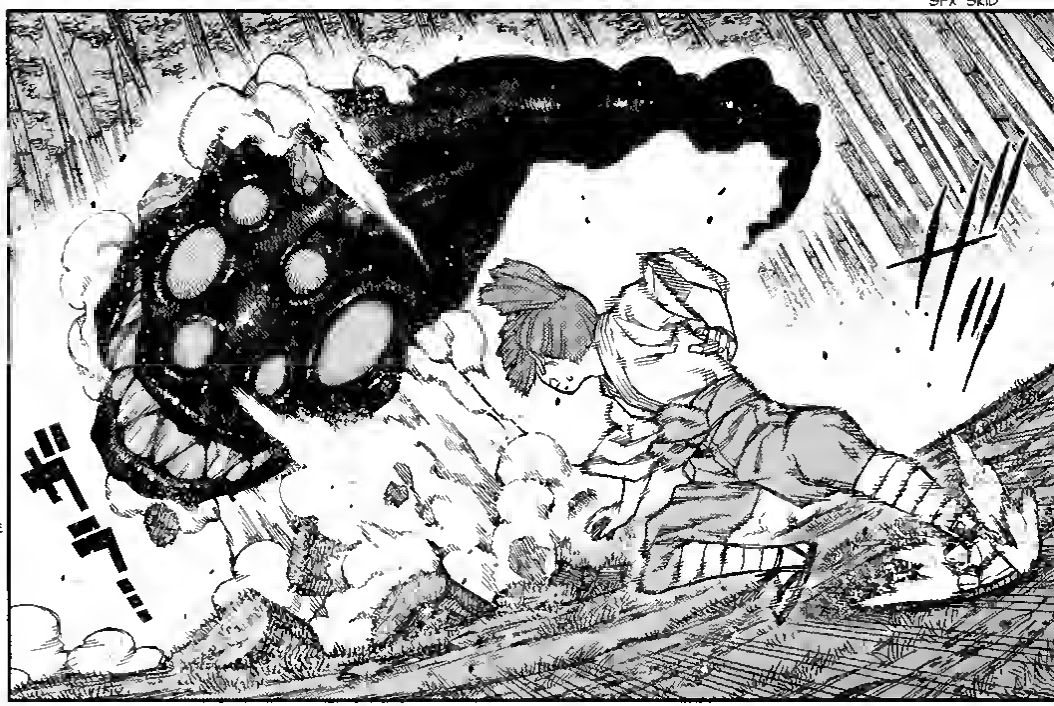
HMM MM...
HO HO, KASUMI'S NOT DOING BAD, HUH?


HOWEVER, WHAT KANAKA DESIRED WAS SOMEONE WITH ONCE-IN-A-MILLENNIUM ABILITY, LIKE HER
AS A MATTER OF FACT, COMPARED TO OTHERS OF THE SAME AGE, KASUMI WAS A ONCE-IN-A-GENERATION TALENT



SFX BOOM

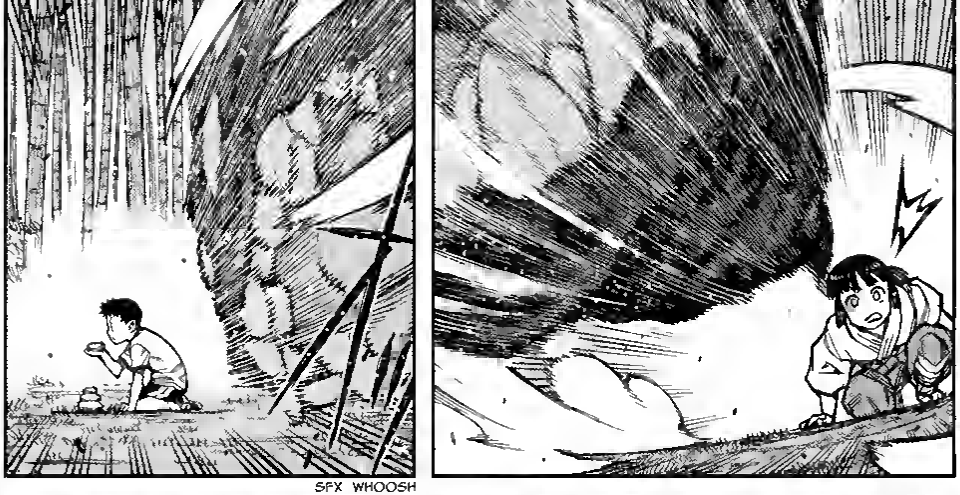
SFX SKID



SFX CRUMBLE

SFX WHOOSH

SFX DASH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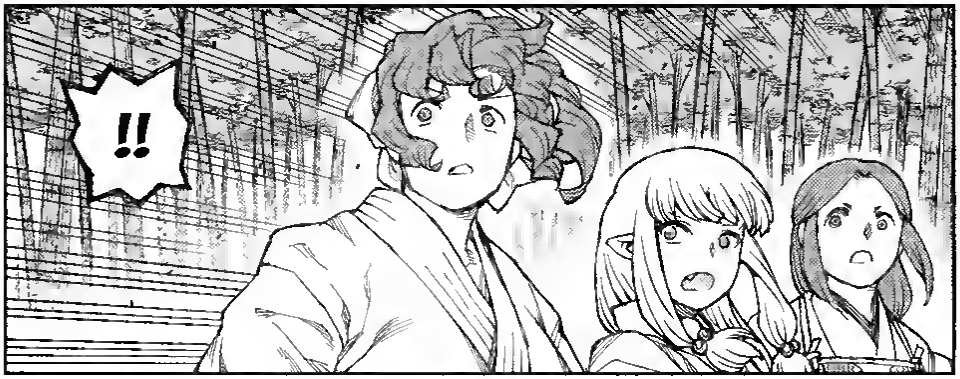
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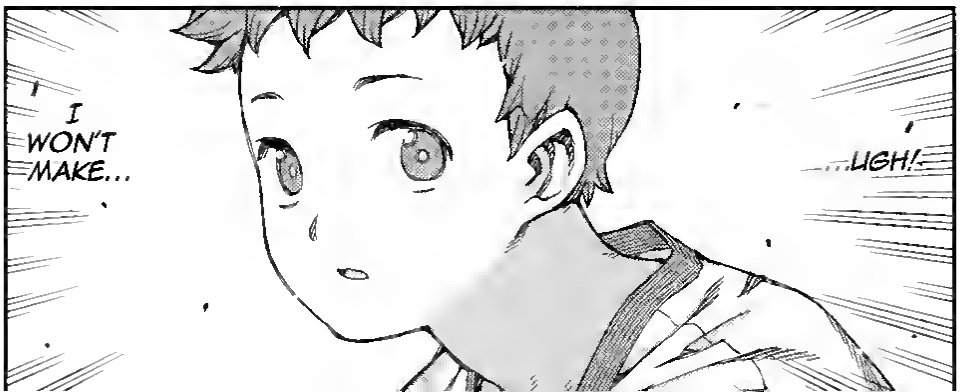
I'M THE CLOSEST!


I WON'T MAKE...
...UGH!

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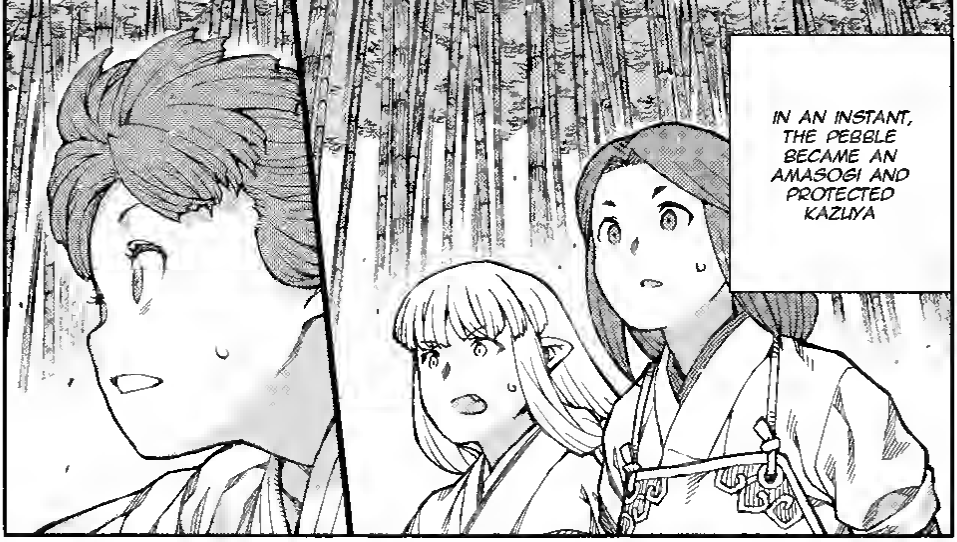
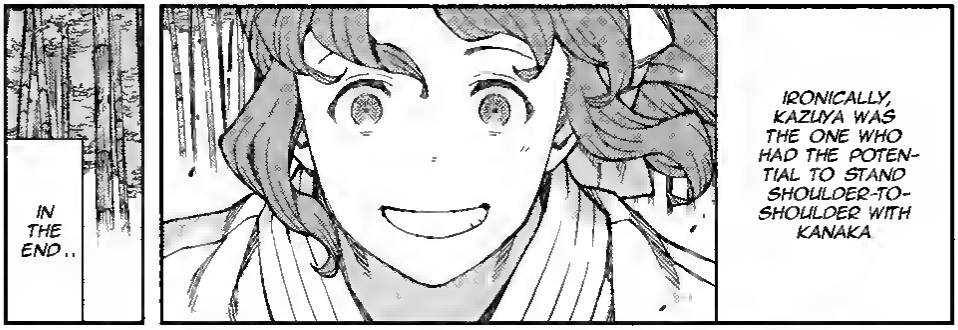
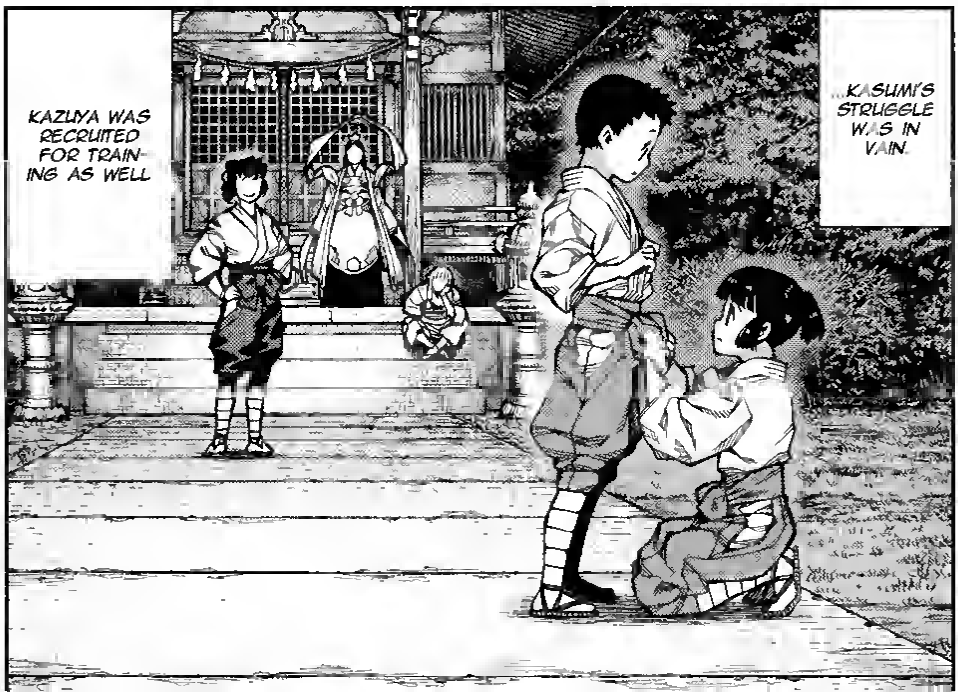
CHOMP

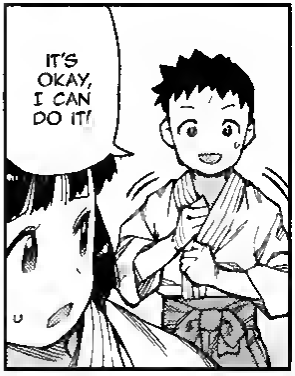

IN AN INSTANT, THE PEBBLE BECAME AN AMASOGI AND PROTECTED KAZUYA


IN THE END..
IRONICALLY, KAZUYA WAS THE ONE WHO HAD THE POTENTIAL TO STAND SHOULDER-TO-SHOULDER WITH KANAKA

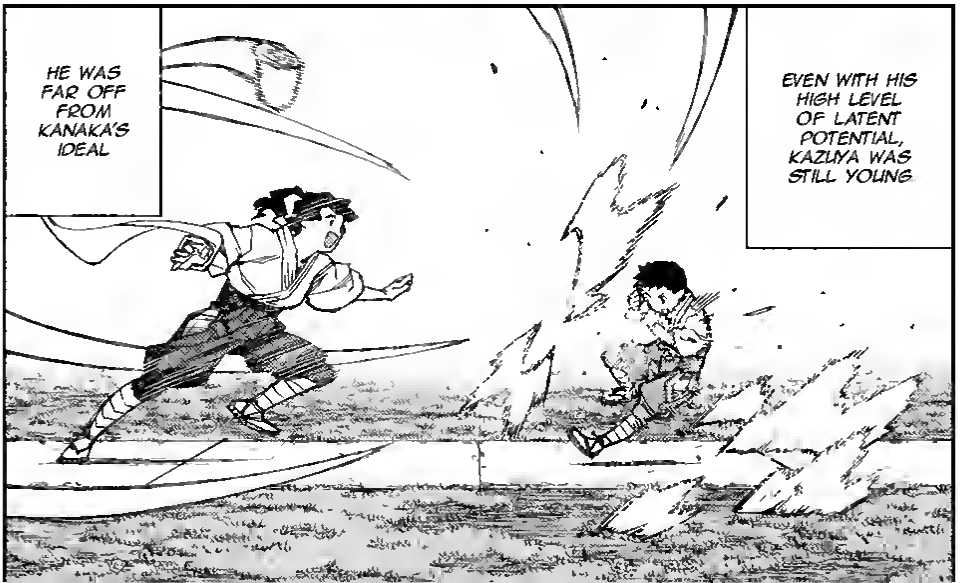

KAZUYA WAS RECRUITED FOR TRAINING AS WELL
...KASUMI'S STRUGGLE WAS IN VAIN.

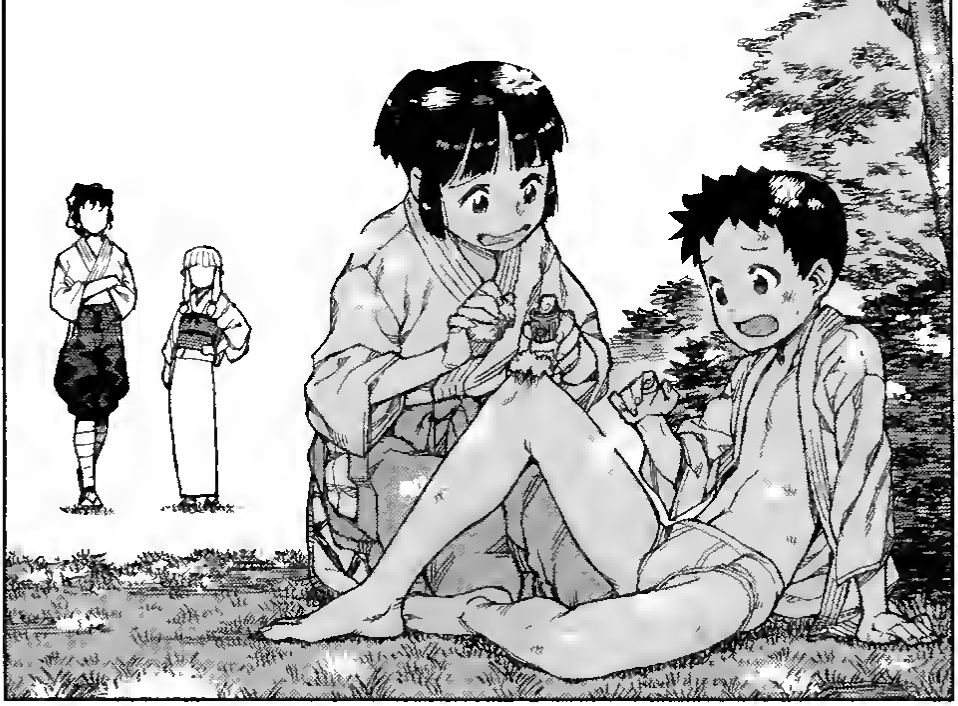
SLAM
3 YEARS LATER
WAH!
SFX GRAB
AHHHH, YAKKUN, ARE YOU OKAY?!
YEAH, I'M FINE, SIS

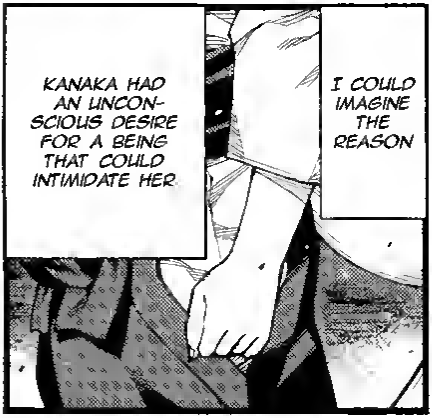
ROAR
ガーーッ
HOLD IT, MOTHER! YAKKUN COULD DIE!!
EHHH, IT'S FINE, SINCE IT'S KAZUYA
IT'S NOT A MATTER OF WHO IT IS!

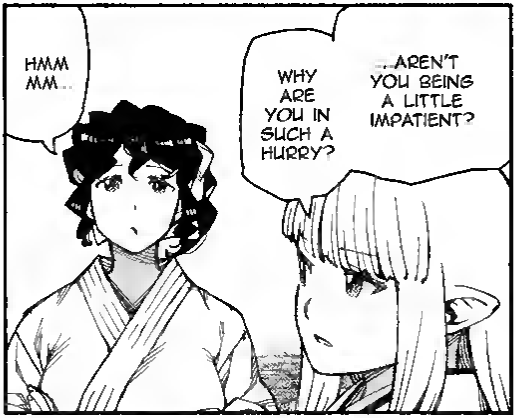

IT'S OKAY, I CAN DO IT!

KAZUYA, 7 YEARS OLD, KASUMI, 9 YEARS OLD
KANAKA AND KASUMI BUTTED HEADS OVER KAZUYA OFTEN AROUND THEN

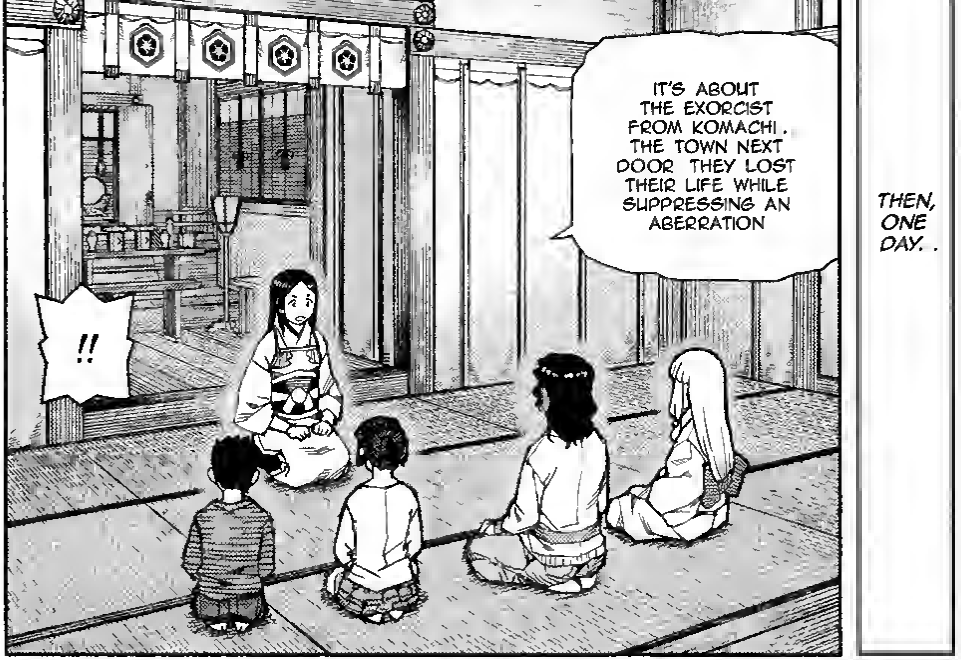

HE WAS FAR OFF FROM KANAKA'S IDEAL
EVEN WITH HIS HIGH LEVEL OF LATENT POTENTIAL, KAZUYA WAS STILL YOUNG




KANAKA HAD AN UNCONSCIOUS DESIRE FOR A BEING THAT COULD INTIMIDATE HER.
I COULD IMAGINE THE REASON


HMM MM...
WHY ARE YOU IN SUCH A HURRY?
...AREN'T YOU BEING A LITTLE IMPATIENT?

...BY THAT TIME, EVEN "FROZEN STOCK" HAD BECOME INSUFFICIENT STIMULATION FOR KANAKA.
WHAT'S WORSE...


THEN, ONE DAY. .
IT'S ABOUT THE EXORCIST FROM KOMACHI. THE TOWN NEXT DOOR. THEY LOST THEIR LIFE WHILE SUPPRESSING AN ABERRATION
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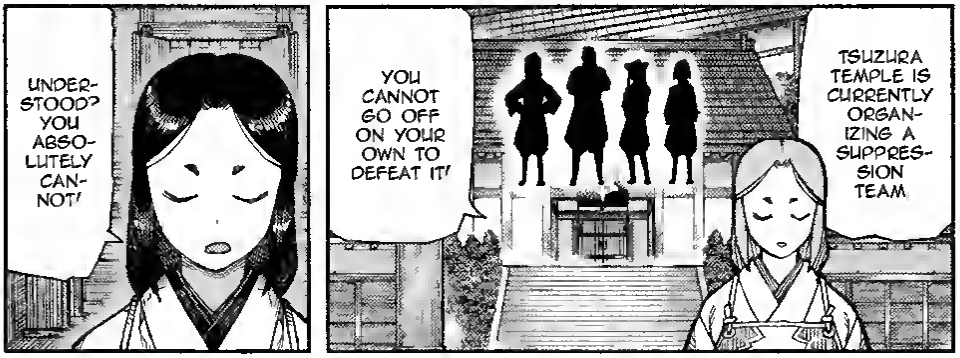
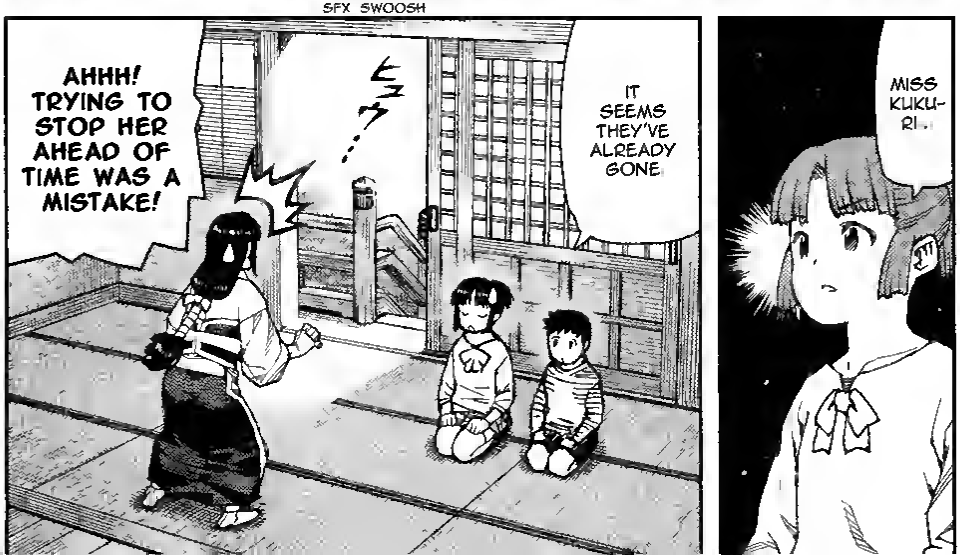
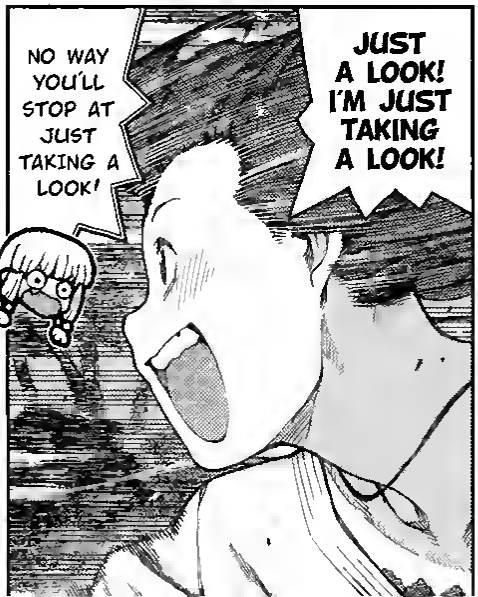

TSUZURA TEMPLE IS CURRENTLY ORGAN-IZING A SUPPRES-SION TEAM
YOU CANNOT GO OFF ON YOUR OWN TO DEFEAT IT!
UNDER-STOOD? YOU ABSO-LUTELY CAN-NOT!

SFX SWOOSH


MISS KUKU-RI. .
IT SEEMS THEY'VE ALREADY GONE.
AHHH! TRYING TO STOP HER AHEAD OF TIME WAS A MISTAKE!

AND ONE OF THEM LOST THEIR LIFE
WITH THE EXTREME DIFFICULTY ABERRATIONS SEEN IN RECENT YEARS, IT WASN'T HARD TO IMAGINE
THE EXORCISTS STATIONED IN EVERY REGION ARE POWERFUL PEOPLE CAPABLE OF SUPPRESSING ABERRATIONS ALONE

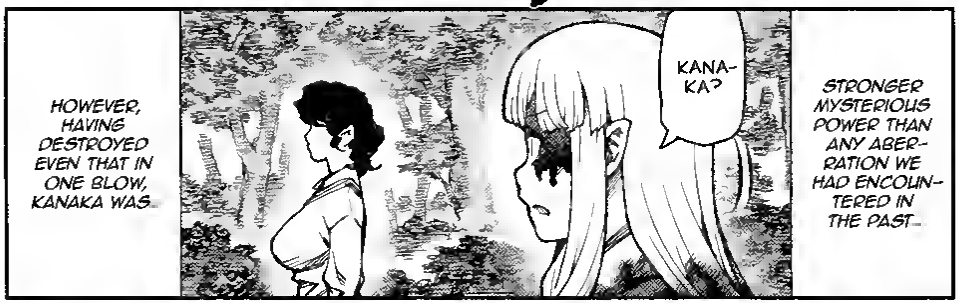
ON ACCOUNT OF ALL THAT, KANAKA COULDN'T HOLD BACK


NO WAY YOU'LL STOP AT JUST TAKING A LOOK!
JUST A LOOK! I'M JUST TAKING A LOOK!

IF YOU IGNORE TSUZURA TEMPLE'S WILL, GETTING PRESENTED WITH "FROZEN STOCK" AFTER THIS WILL BE..
HEY, HEY, HEY, THIS ISN'T GOOD, KANAKA!

SHE DIDN'T STOP.

GAHHH, I AM COVERED IN BLOOD!
※WHILE IN USE BY KANAKA, KIRIHA RETURNS TO HER ADULT FORM.
SFX TWIRL
SFX POOF


HOWEVER, HAVING DESTROYED EVEN THAT IN ONE BLOW, KANAKA WAS...
KANA-KA?
STRONGER MYSTERIOUS POWER THAN ANY ABER-RATION WE HAD ENCOUN-TERED IN THE PAST...

...SHOWING THAT SAME OLD EXPRES-SION.

SFX
FWISH
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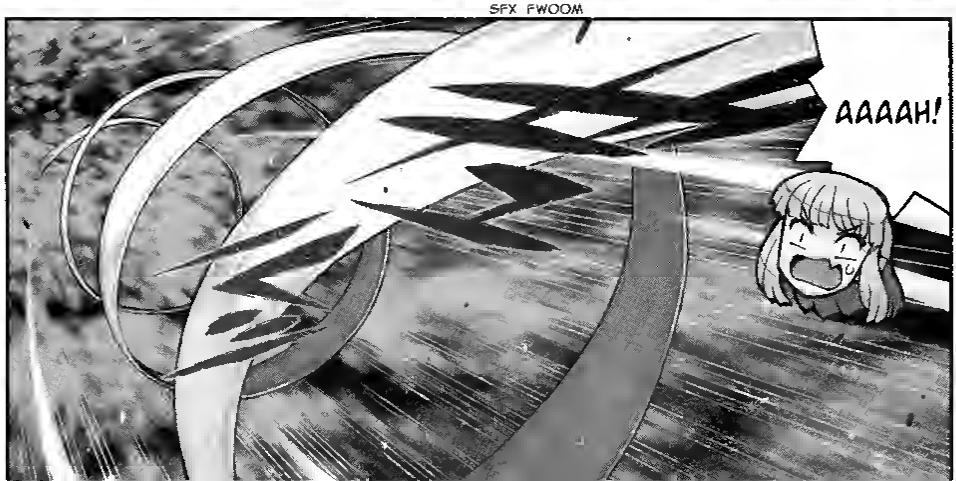
YOU UNDER-
STAND, KANAKA?!
DON'T GET
INVOLVED!
DON'T DO IT!
FOUND
YOU...!


SFX FWOOM
AAAAH!

SFX
FWISH
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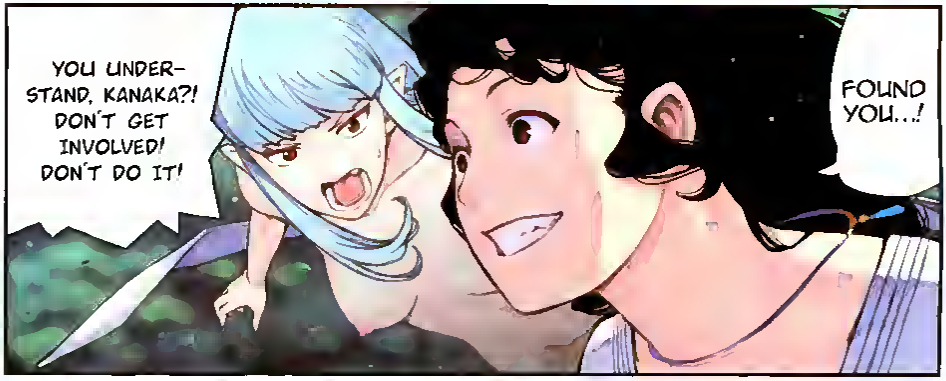
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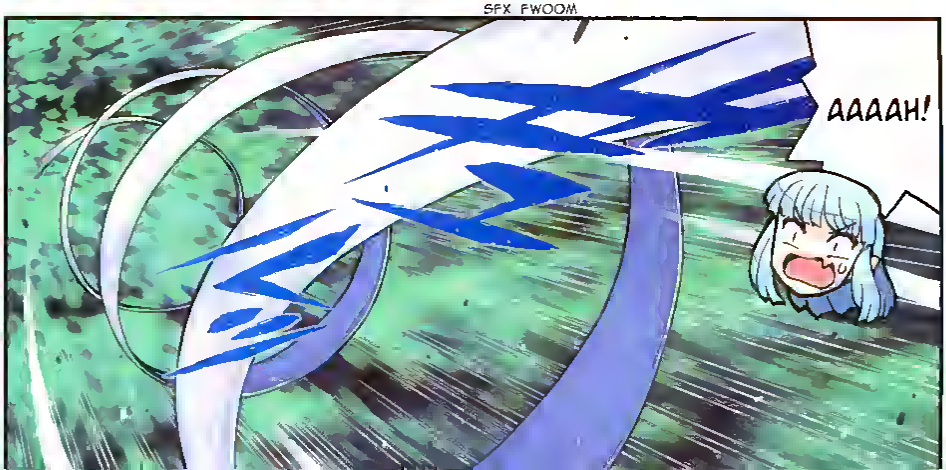
SFX FWOOM
AAAAH!

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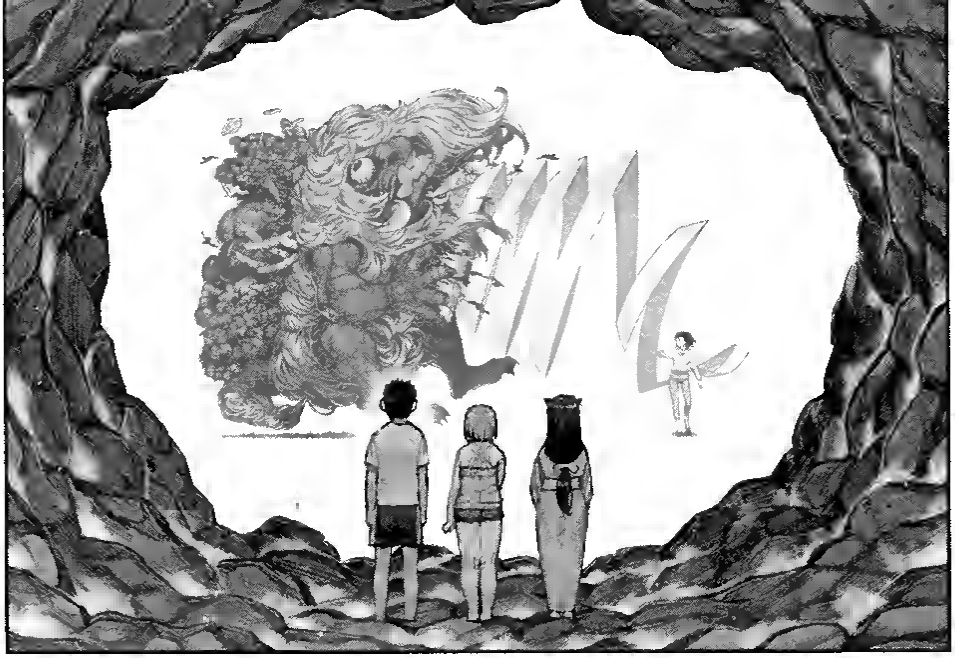
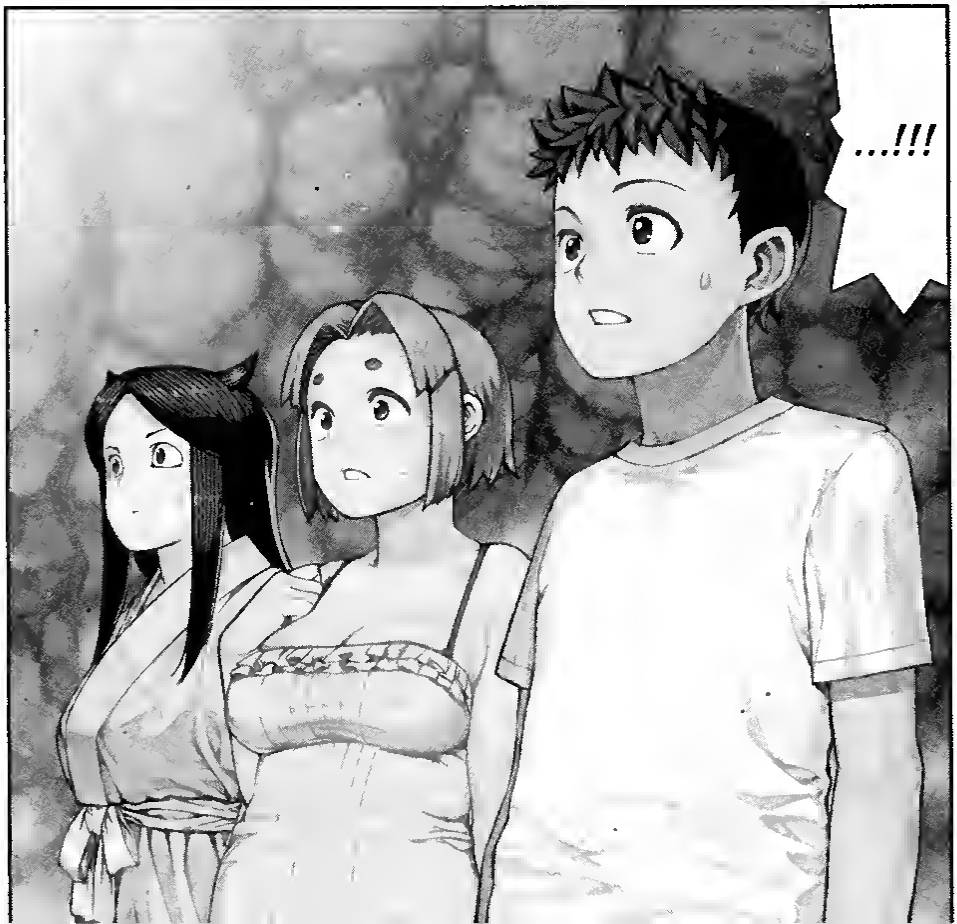
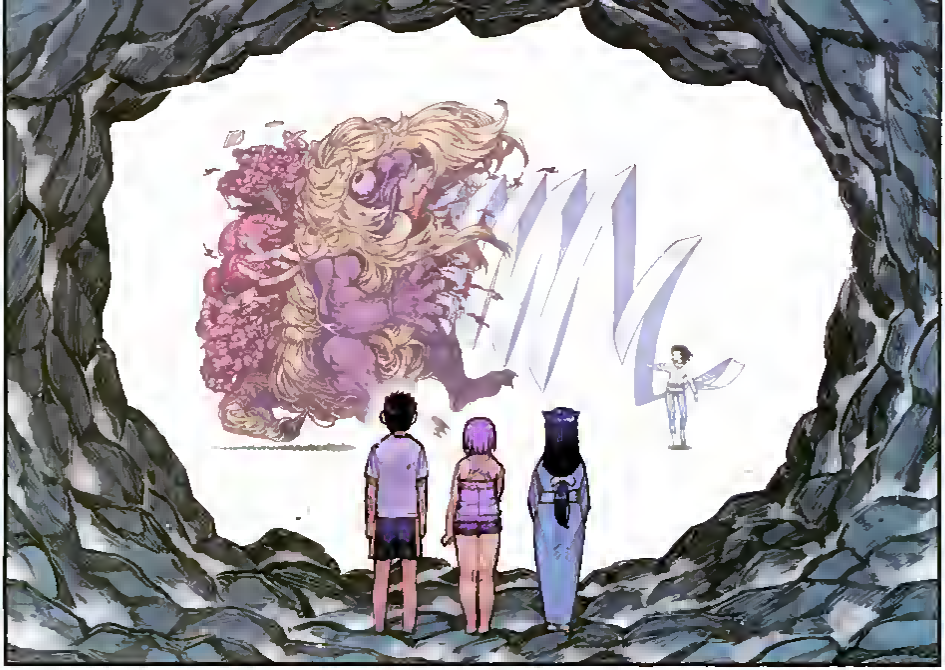
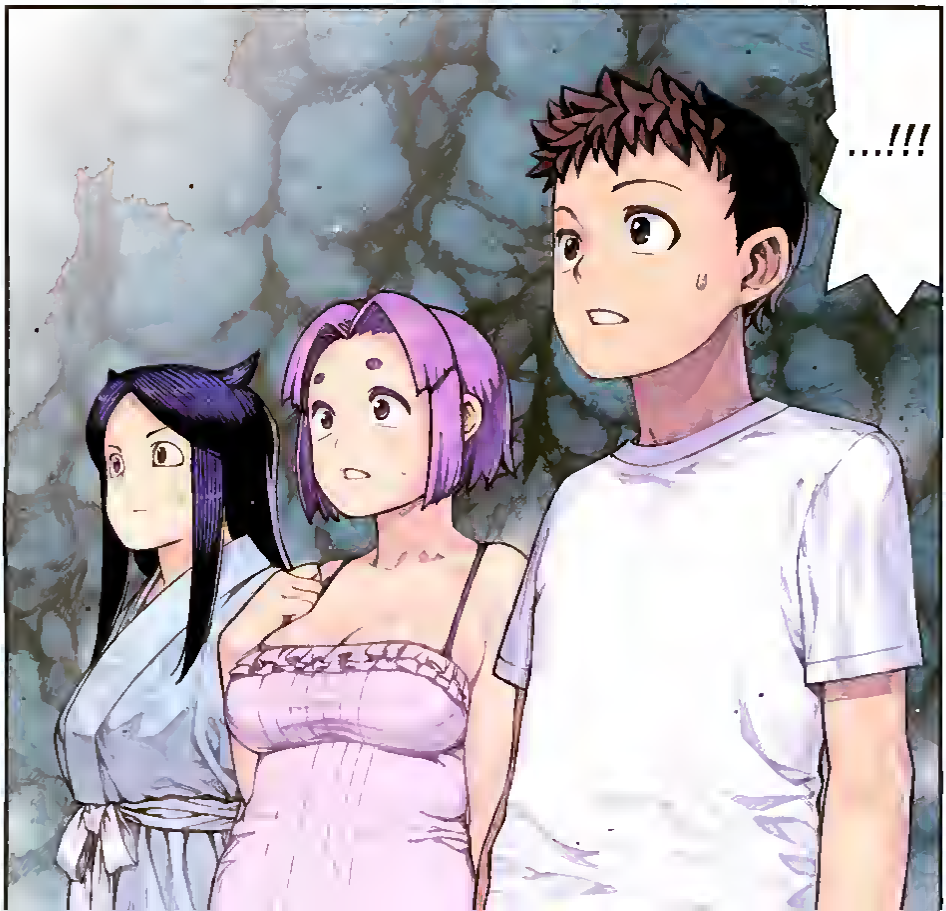
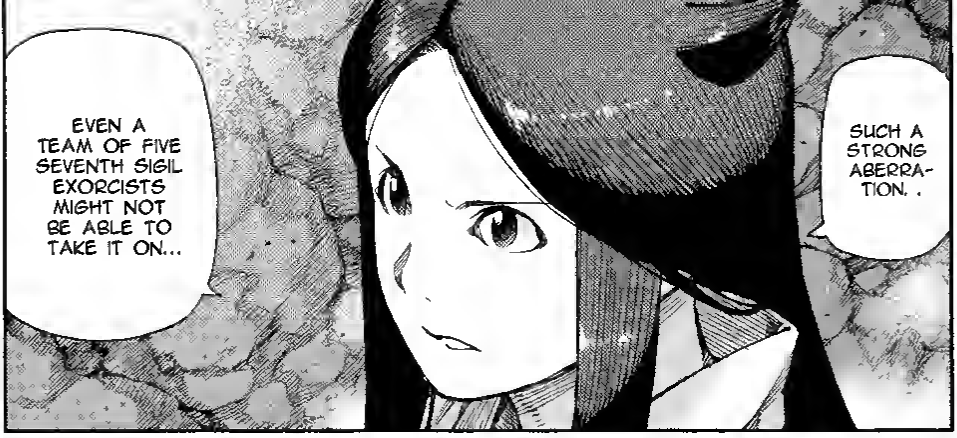
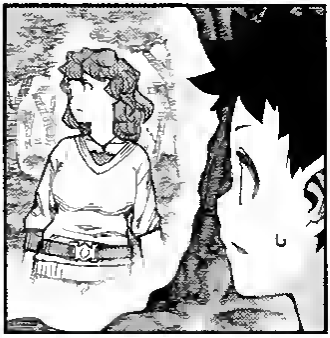


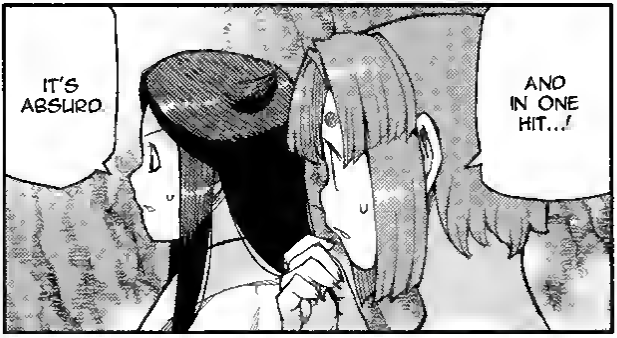


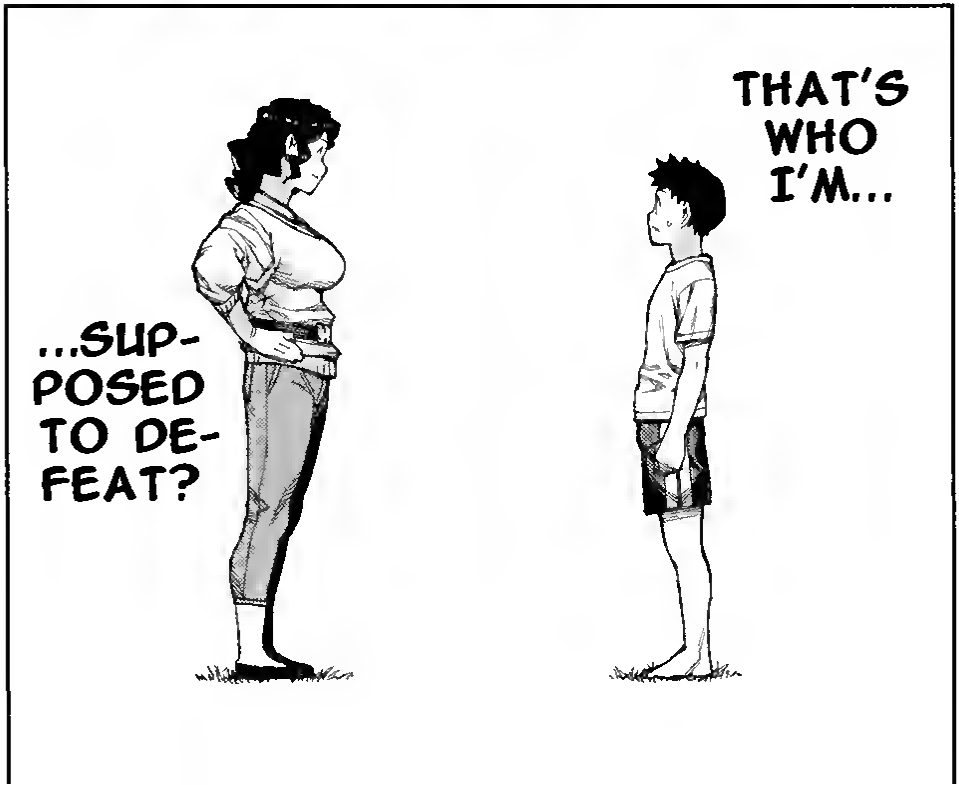





EVEN A TEAM OF FIVE SEVENTH SIGIL EXORCISTS MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO TAKE IT ON...
SUCH A STRONG ABERRATION. .



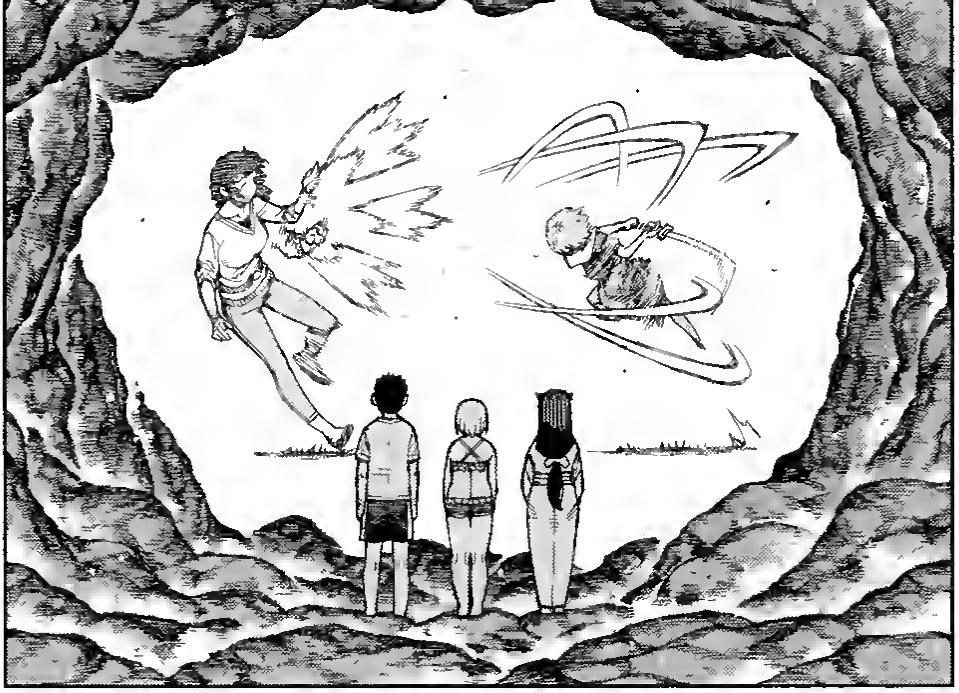

IT'S ABSURD.
AND IN ONE HIT...!

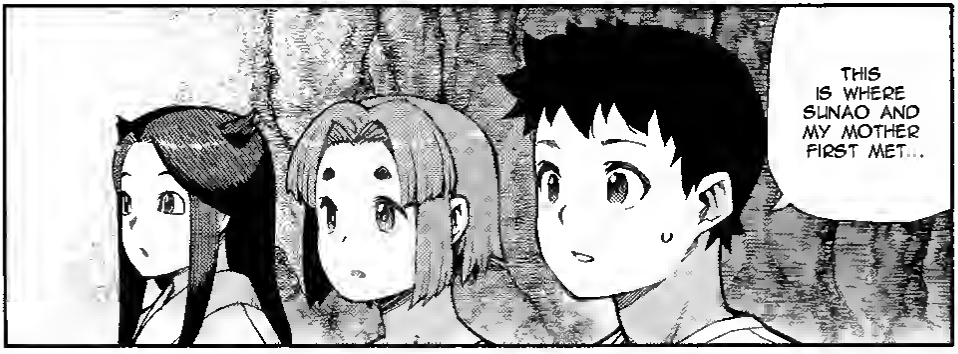

...SUPPOSED TO DEFEAT?
THAT'S WHO I'M...

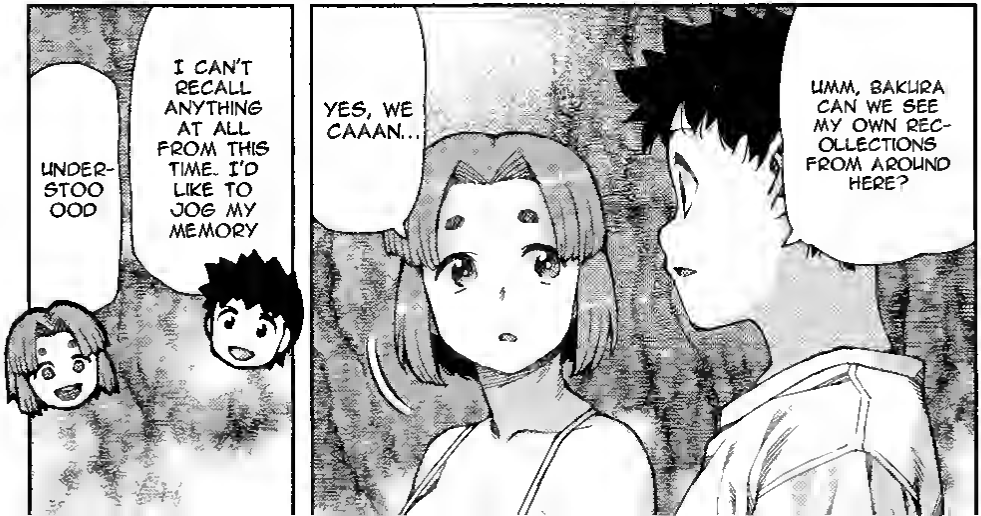
SFX FIZZLE

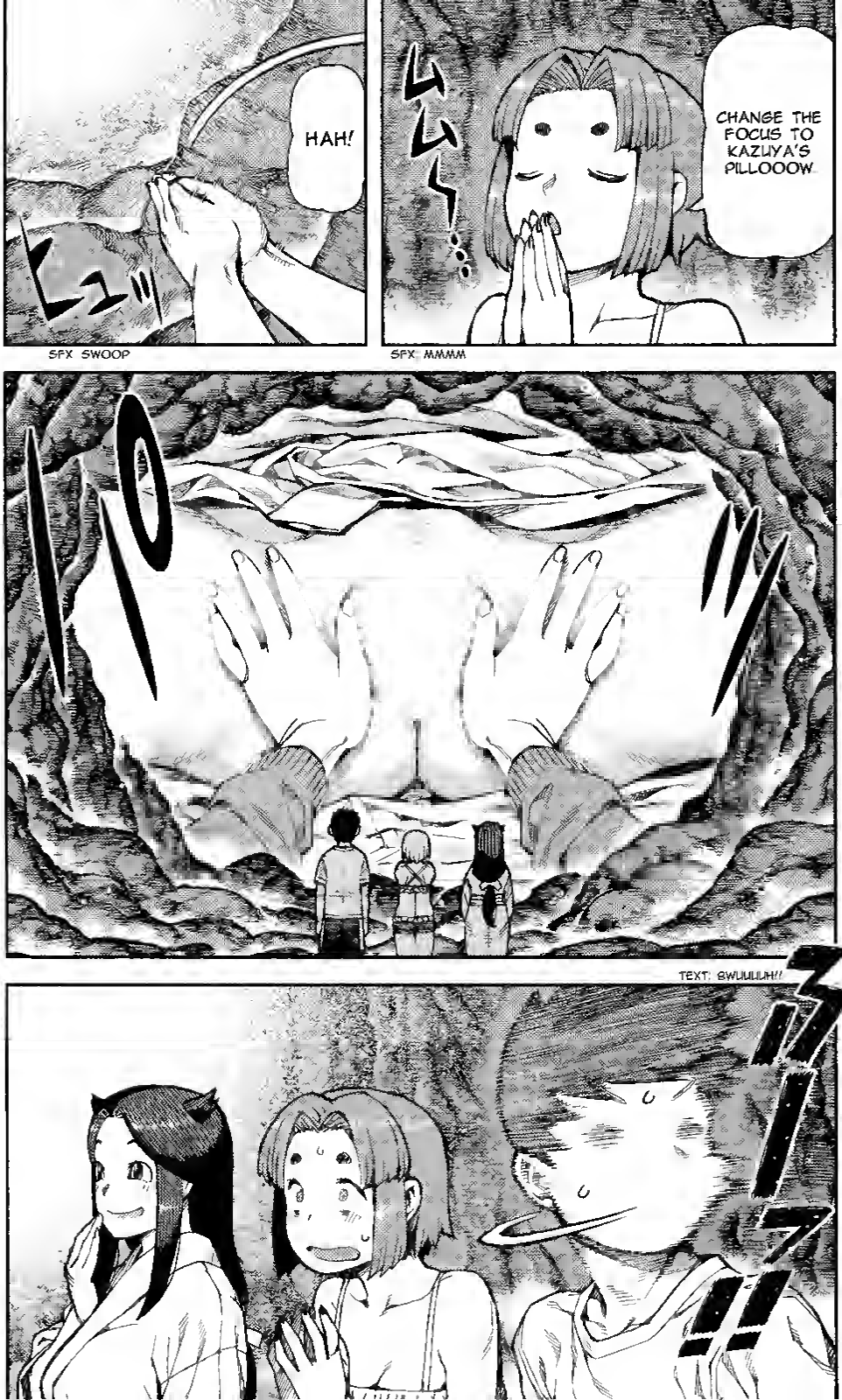
SFX SHWIPP
SOR-RYYY, KIRIHA.
YOU COULD'VE DEFEATED IT MORE CLEANLY..

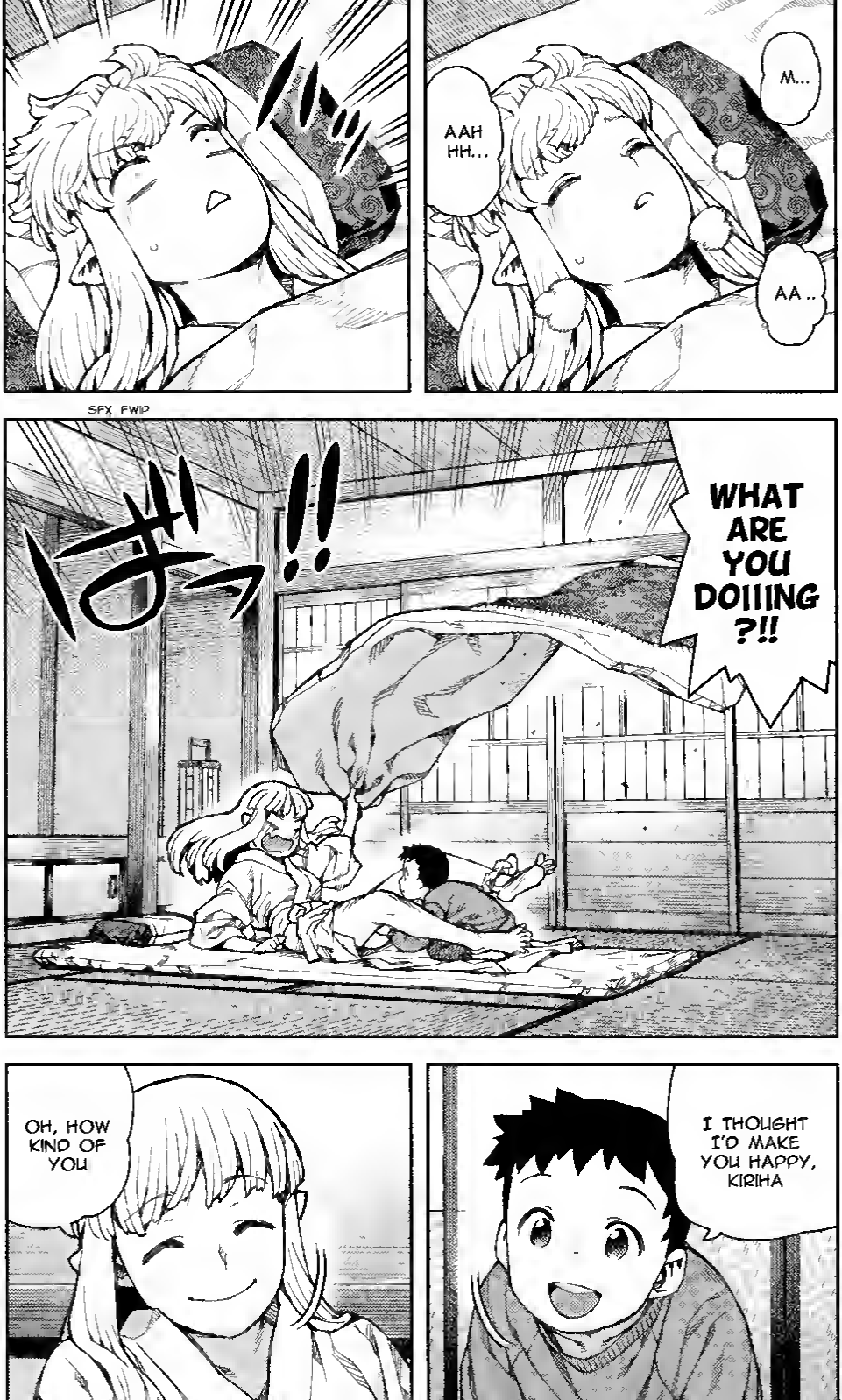
UWAAAH!!
SFX ZOOM




THIS IS WHERE SUNAO AND MY MOTHER FIRST MET...


UMM, BAKURA CAN WE SEE MY OWN REC-OLLECTIONS FROM AROUND HERE?
YES, WE CAAAN...
I CAN'T RECALL ANYTHING AT ALL FROM THIS TIME. I'D LIKE TO JOG MY MEMORY
UNDER-STOO OOD

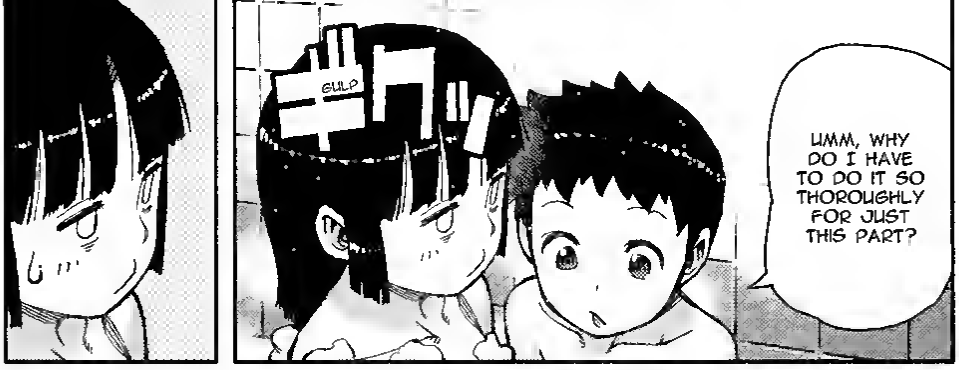

HAH!
SFX: SWOOP
CHANGE THE FOCUS TO KAZUYA'S PILLOOOW
SFX: MMMM
SFX: SHINE
TEXT: GWUUUUH!!


SFX GASP
AAHHH...
M...
AA..
SFX FWIP
ばっ!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOIIING ?!!
OH, HOW KIND OF YOU
I THOUGHT I'D MAKE YOU HAPPY, KIRIHA

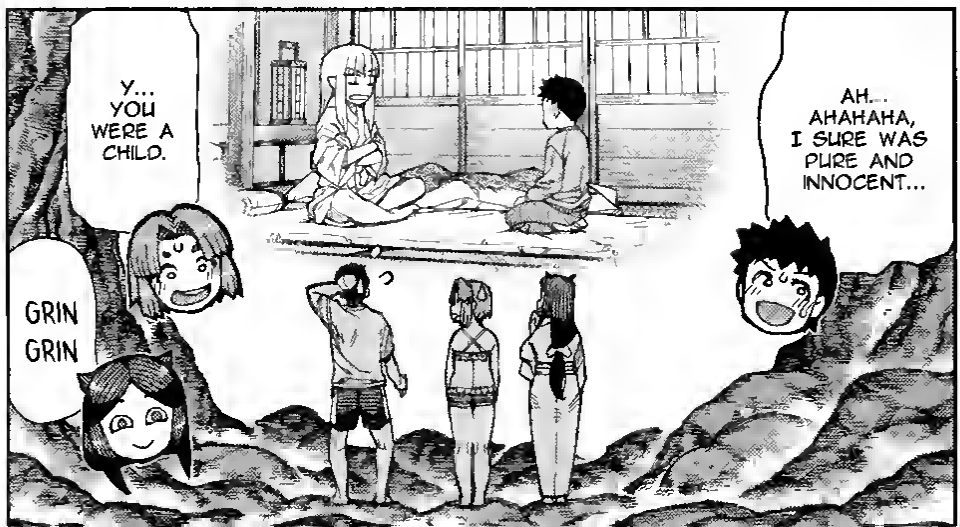
SFX WHAP
スパァン!
ER, HOLD IT! WHERE DID YOU LEARN TO DO THIS?!
SFX: SCRUB SCRUB
わしゃわしゃ
SFX: SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB
わしゃわしゃわしゃ…

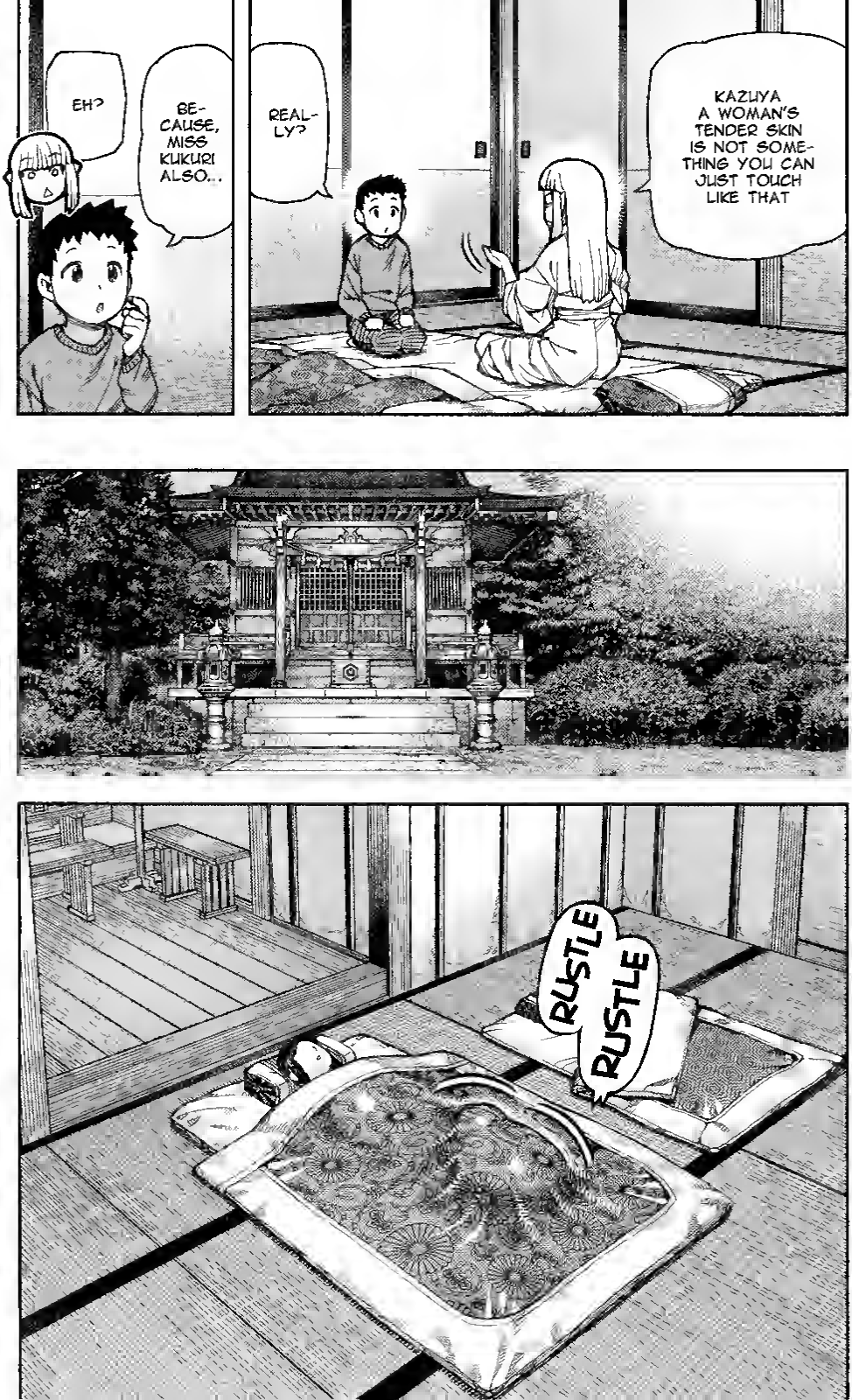
JUST A LITTLE MORE
SFX SCRUB SCRUB
SIS, YOU ARE STIIILL NOT DONE WASHING IT...?
SFX TWITCH TWITCH
SFX TWITCH
MMM!
NOW, PLEASE TAKE YOUR TURN AND WASH ME, YAKKUN
OKAAY
YOU DON'T NEED TO CONCERN YOURSELF WITH THAT YET
WHAT ISN'T?
STILL NOT COMING OUT, HUH

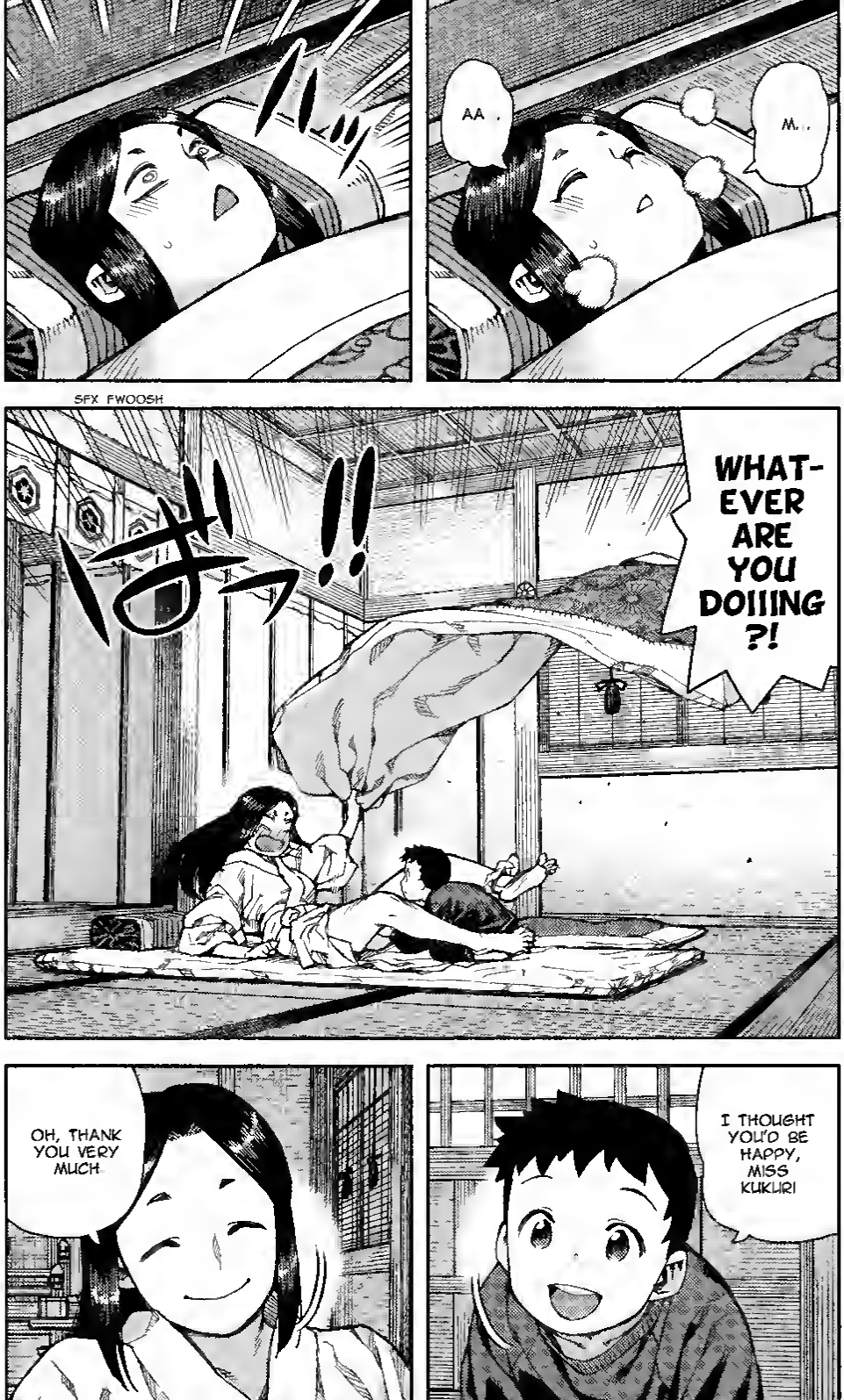
HEY, DON'T USE THE SPONGE
わしゃわしゃ...
SFX SCRUB SCRUB
SFX SCRUB SCRUB
MM/ NOT... YET
わしゃわしゃ...
UMMM, ARE YOU CLEAN YET, SIIIS...?
わしゃわしゃ
SFX SCRUB SCRUB

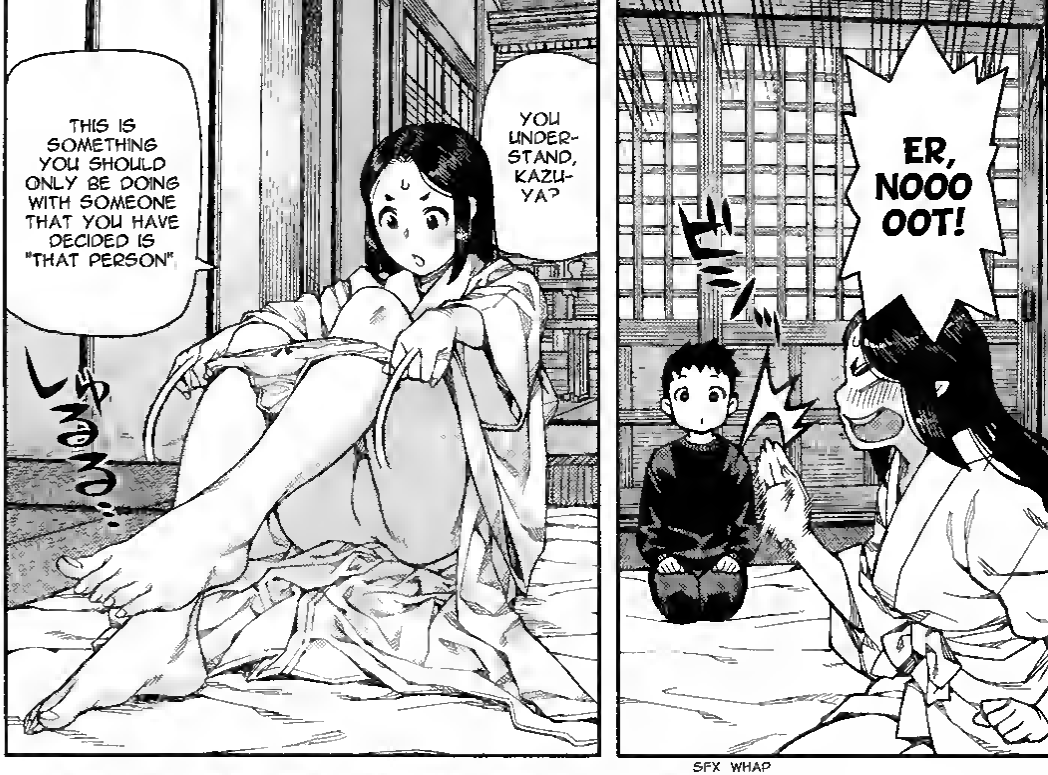

GULP
UMM, WHY DO I HAVE TO DO IT SO THOROUGHLY FOR JUST THIS PART?

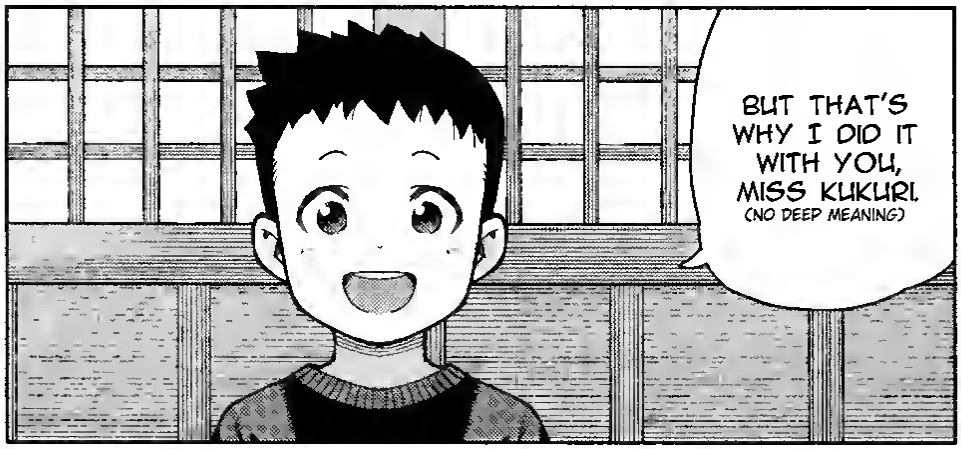
SFX SHARP
THAT DAMN PERV KASUMI.
BECAUSE RECEIVING THIS TREATMENT PLEASES WOMEN!


Y... YOU WERE A CHILD.
AH... AHAHAHA, I SURE WAS PURE AND INNOCENT...
GRIN GRIN


EH?
BE-
CAUSE,
MISS
KUKURI
ALSO...
REAL-
LY?
KAZUYA
A WOMAN'S
TENDER SKIN
IS NOT SOME-
THING YOU CAN
JUST TOUCH
LIKE THAT
RUSTLE
RUSTLE


SFX GASP
AA.
M..
SFX FWOOSH
ばっ!!
WHAT-EVER ARE YOU DOIIING ?!
OH, THANK YOU VERY MUCH
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE HAPPY, MISS KUKURI

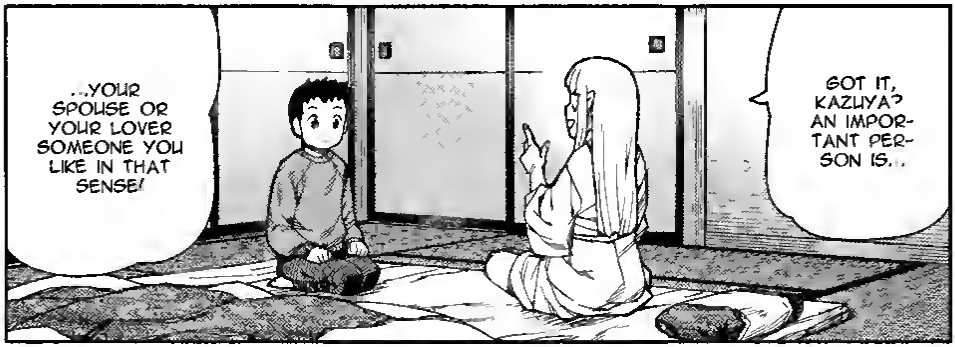

THIS IS SOMETHING YOU SHOULD ONLY BE DOING WITH SOMEONE THAT YOU HAVE DECIDED IS "THAT PERSON"
YOU UNDER-STAND, KAZU-YA?
しゅるる…
SFX SLIDE
ER, NOOO OOT!
SFX WHAP

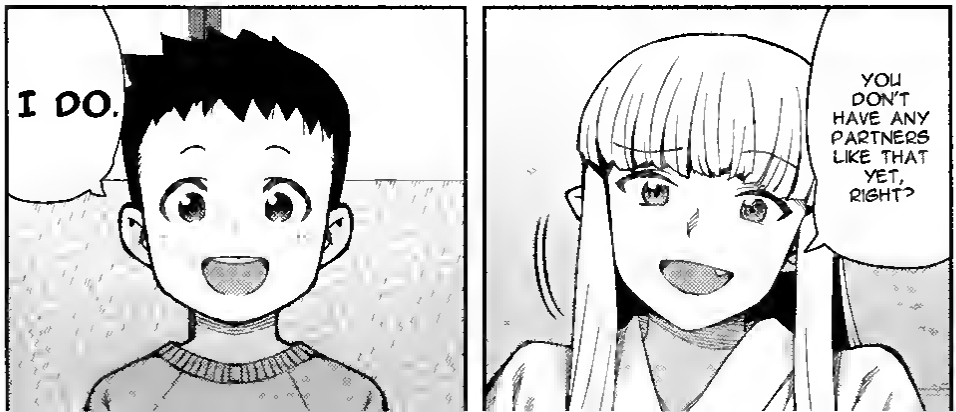

BUT THAT'S WHY I DID IT WITH YOU, MISS KUKURI.
(NO DEEP MEANING)
SFX WHIRL

I'M KAZUYA'S IMPORTANT PERSON...?!
(DEEP MEANING)
ぱっ!

HIN THAT CASE, IT IS FINE
OKAY, LET'S KEEP GO- IIING!
AHHH! WAIT, RIGHT NOW...
SFX SPREAD
SFX DRIPLE
AH!
AH!
AHHH!

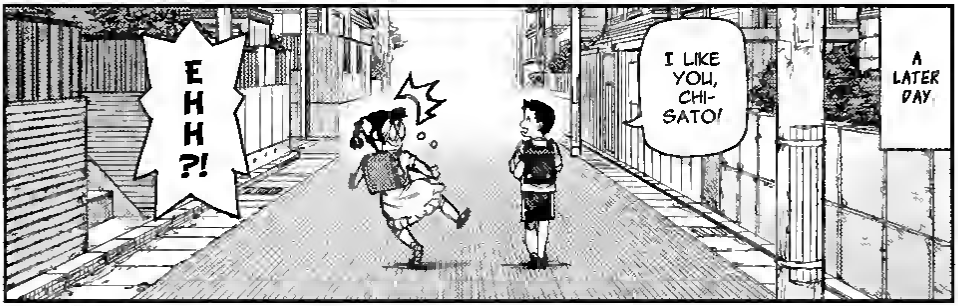
WHAT AN UNDEPEND-ABLE GOD SHE IS.

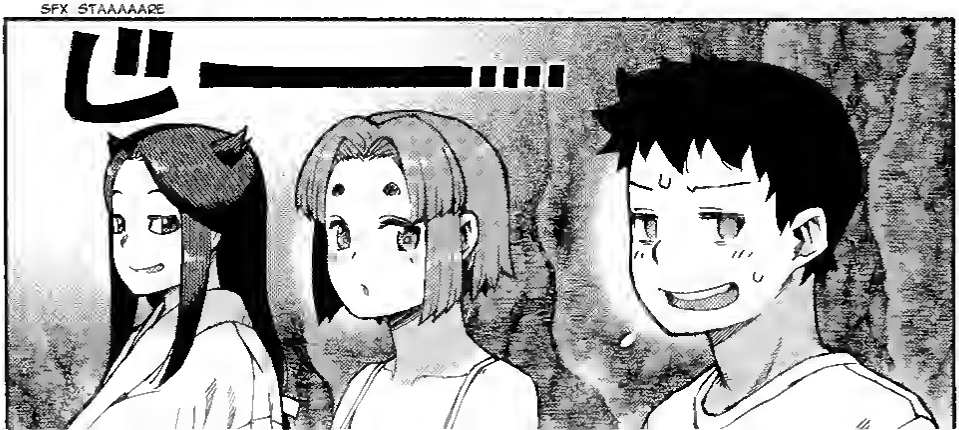

GOT IT, KAZUYA? AN IMPOR-TANT PER-SON IS...
...YOUR SPOUSE OR YOUR LOVER SOMEONE YOU LIKE IN THAT SENSE!

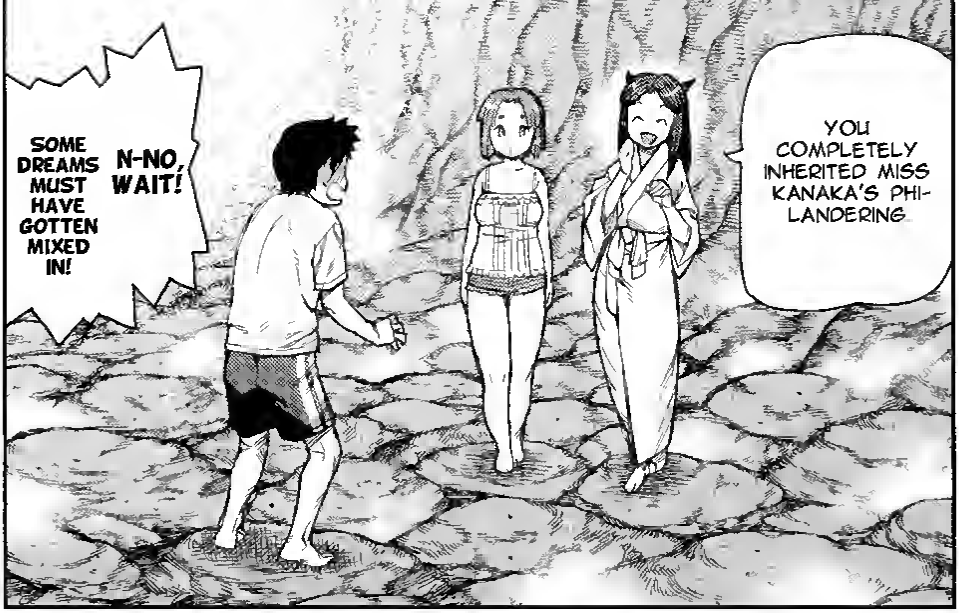

I DO.
YOU DON'T HAVE ANY PARTNERS LIKE THAT YET, RIGHT?

YOU, KIRI-HA.
MM-HM
ER, YOU DO?!
RIGHT? YOU'RE STILL TOO YOUNG..
EHH?!
WH-WH-WHY ME?!
I DON'T KNOW WHY, BUT I LIKE YOU.
SO IT'S OKAY.
I-I SUP-POSE SO.
SINCE YOU LIKE ME, I GUESS IT'S OKAY.

AHHH!
GLOMP


A LATER DAY
I LIKE YOU, CHI-SATO!
EHH?!

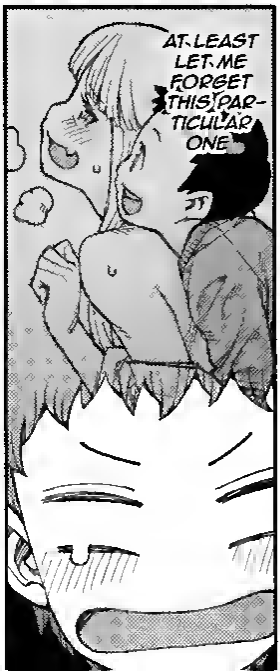

SFX STAAAAARE

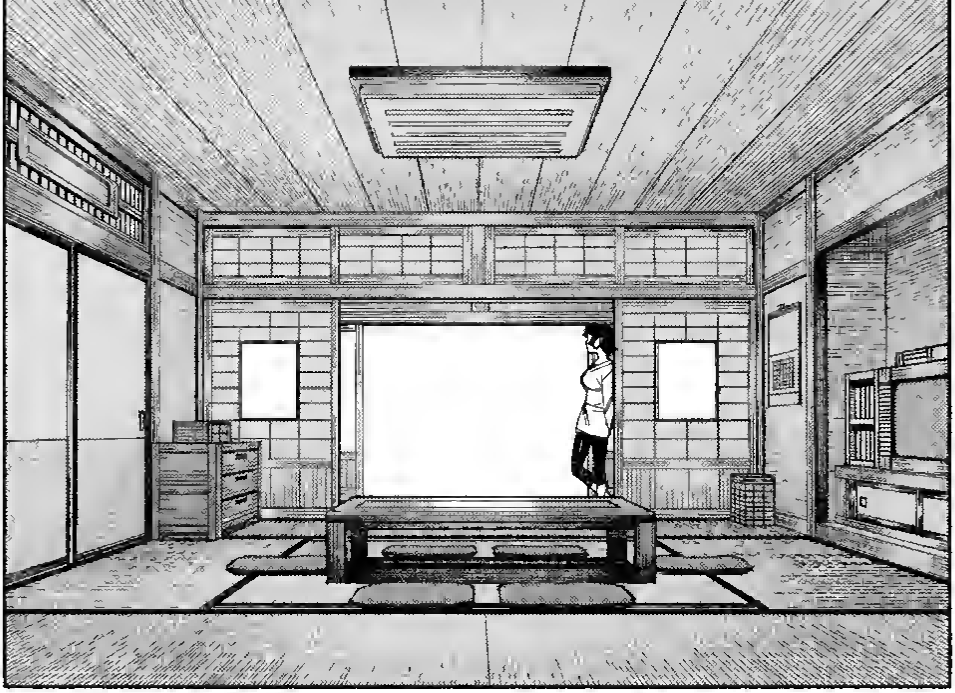

SOME DREAMS MUST HAVE GOTTEN MIXED IN!
N-NO, WAIT!
YOU COMPLETELY INHERITED MISS KANAKA'S PHILANDERING.

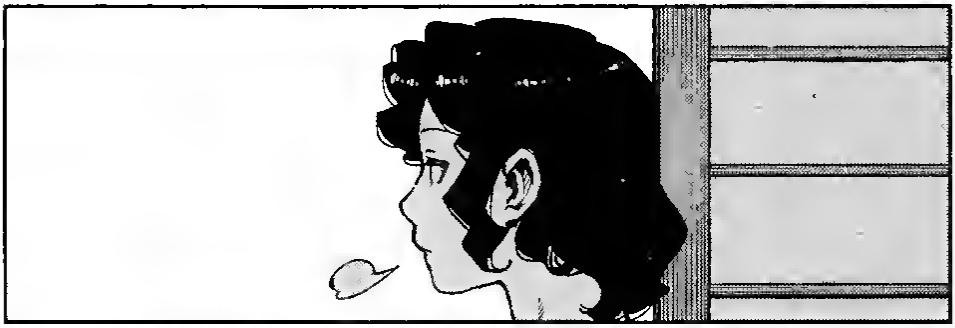
THAT CAN'T BE...
YOU'RE A PHILANDERER
NO. THESE ARE DEEEFINITELY YOUR RECOLLECTIONS, KAZUYA.

SFX TWIRL

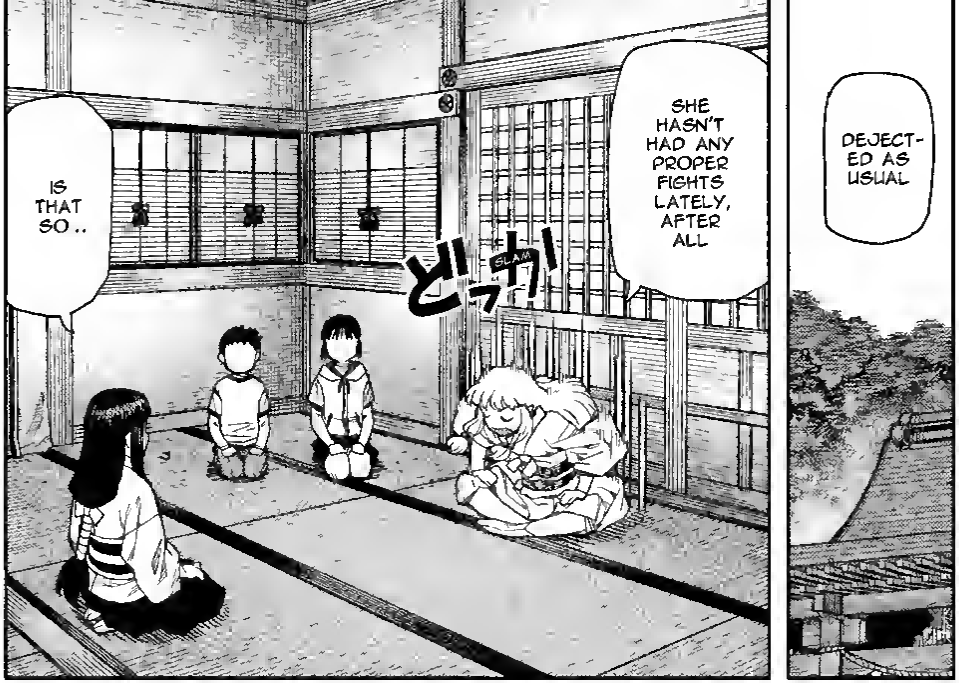
YES, HE CHANGED THE SUBJECT
HE CHANGED THE SUBJECT
A-ANYWAY, LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS NEXT!


AT LEAST LET ME FORGET THIS PARTICULAR ONE.

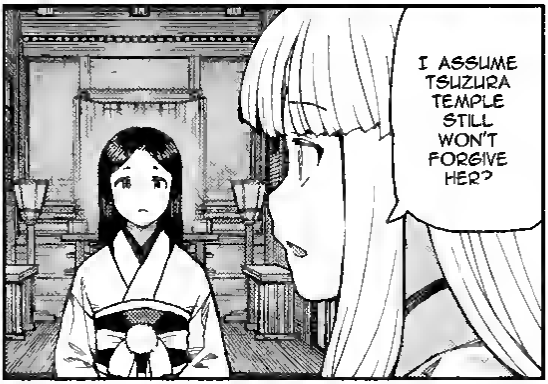


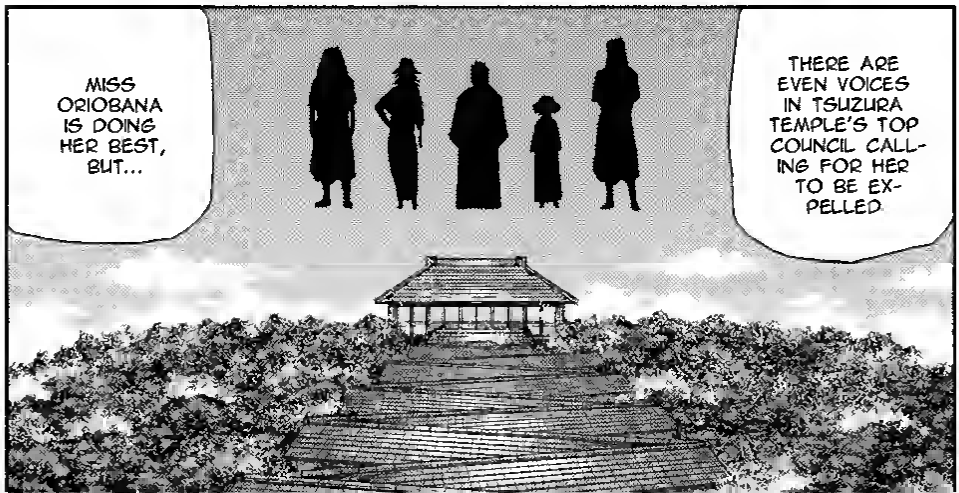


SFX SLIDE


DEJECTED AS USUAL
SHE HASN'T HAD ANY PROPER FIGHTS LATELY, AFTER ALL
SLAM
IS THAT SO..

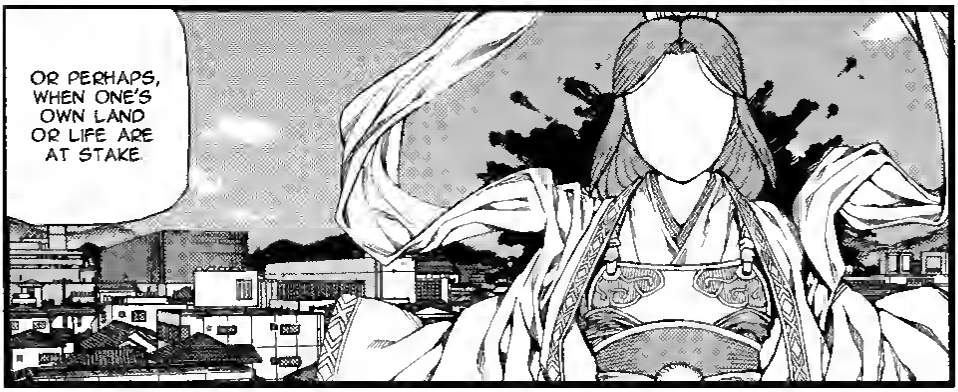
SHE SUPPRESSED IT WITHOUT PERMISSION, IGNORING THE WARNING...
SHE CANNOT EXPECT ANY MORE "FROZEN STOCK" TO BE INTRODUCED FOR A WHILE.


I ASSUME TSUZURA TEMPLE STILL WON'T FORGIVE HER?

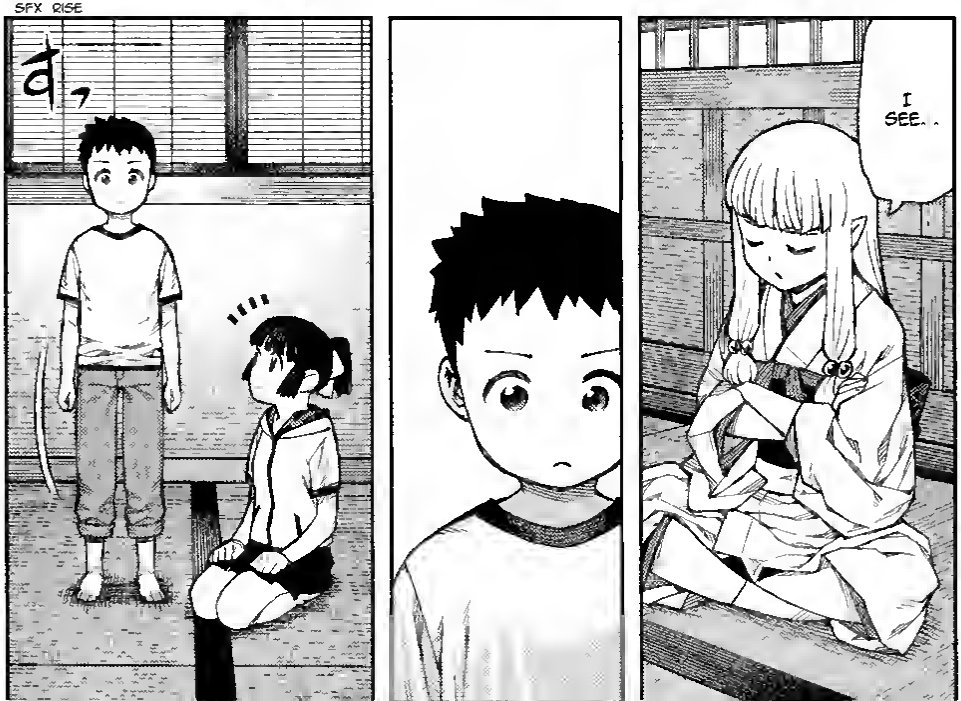

THERE ARE EVEN VOICES IN TSUZURA TEMPLE'S TOP COUNCIL CALLING FOR HER TO BE EXPELLED
MISS ORIOBANA IS DOING HER BEST, BUT...

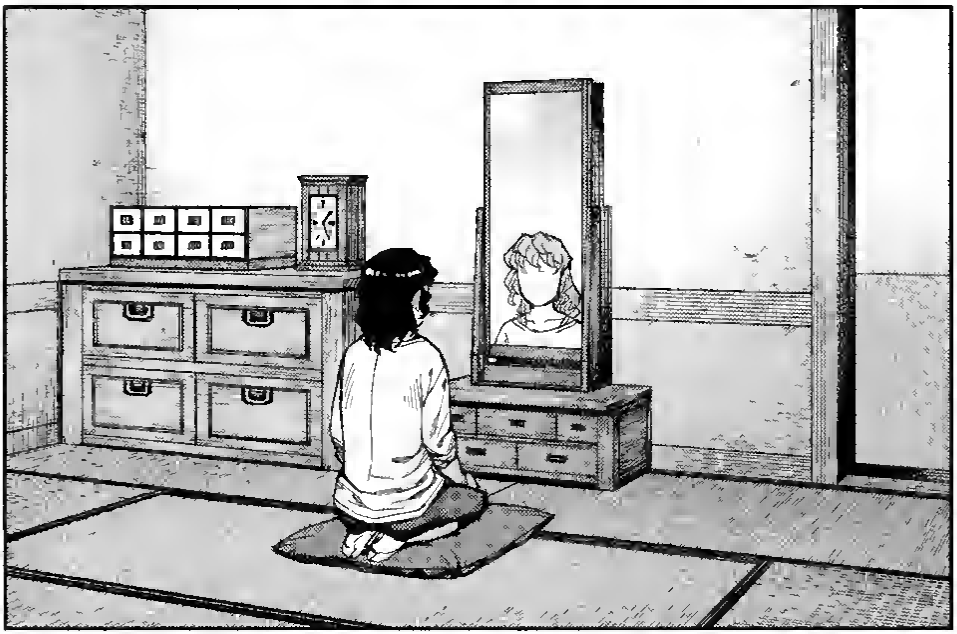
ALL WE NEED IS SOMEONE STRONG ENOUGH TO THREATEN HER.
CHEERING KANAKA UP IS SIMPLE.
...!
..WITHOUT A STRONG REASON, WE GODS ARE FORBIDDEN FROM USING OUR TRUE POWER
..I AM SORRY, BUT..

FOR EXAMPLE, DURING THE EXAMINATION RITUAL FOR AN ASSIGNED EXORCIST.


OR PERHAPS, WHEN ONE'S OWN LAND OR LIFE ARE AT STAKE

SFX RISE


ふ,
I SEE..



SFX: SLIDE

WHY NOT JUST KILL EVERY-ONE?
WHY NOT JUST DESTROY EVERY-THING?

GO MAD AND LET ME GO ON A KILLING SPREE!!

IT'S SURE TO BE FUN.
IT'S SURE TO BE INTER-ESTING.

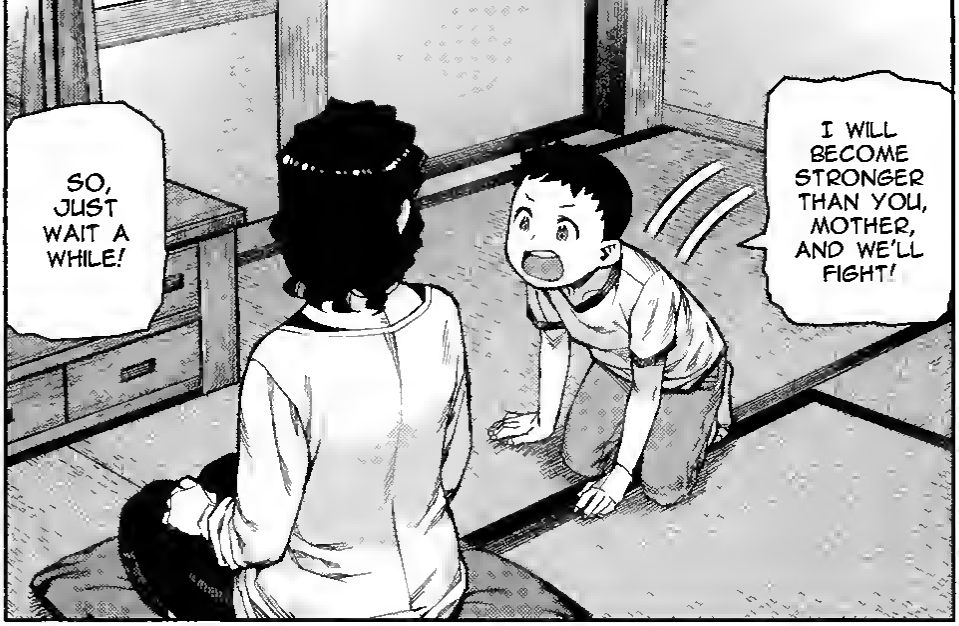
YOUR MIND AND BODY.
COME ON, YIELD THEM TO ME.

HUH
MOTH-
ER!
SLAM
ドン!!

"YOU"?
I...

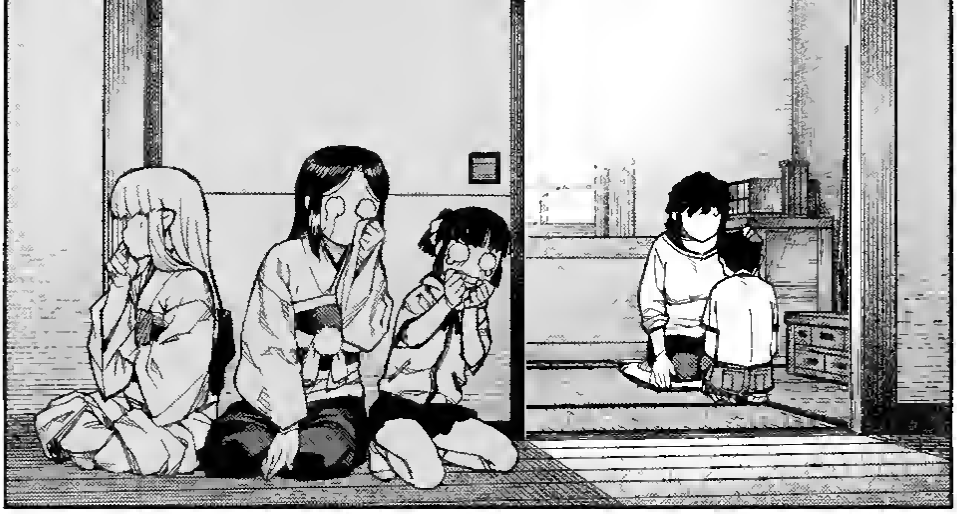
WH-WHAT
IS IT,
KAZUYA?

I WILL
BECOME
STRONG!


I WILL BECOME STRONGER THAN YOU, MOTHER, AND WE'LL FIGHT!
SO, JUST WAIT A WHILE!

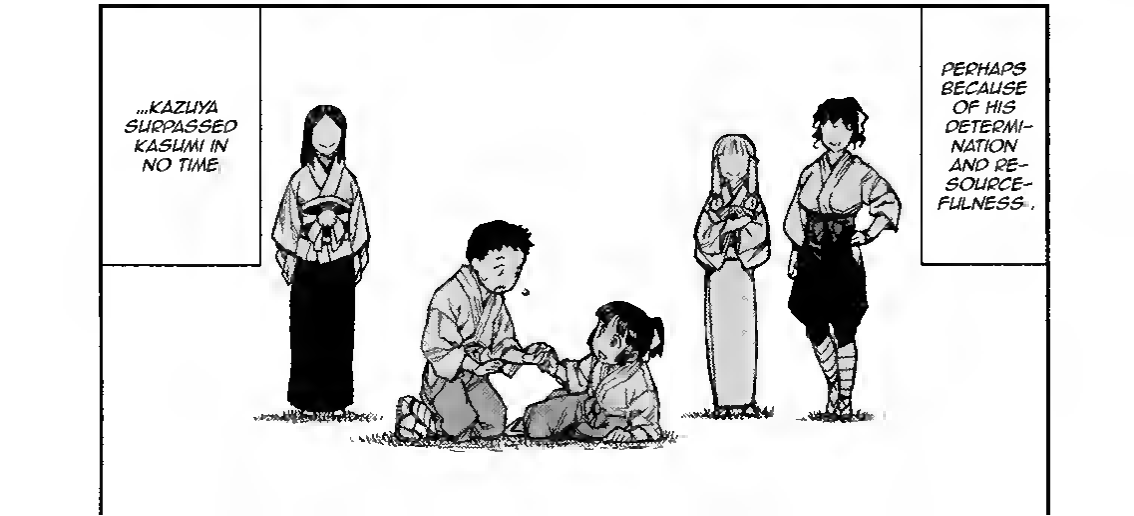
MM-HM

IT'S A PROM-ISE.
THANK YOU, KAZUYA.



SFX BAM BAM BAM BAM BAM
SFX: WOOSH
SFX: GRAB

SLAM
SFX
WOOSH
THAT'S ENOUGH!


...KAZUYA SURPASSED KASUMI IN NO TIME
PERHAPS BECAUSE OF HIS DETERMINATION AND RESOURCEFULNESS.

THAT'S WHEN KAZUYA TRIED A CERTAIN METHOD.
. KANAKA WAS STILL FAR BEYOND HIM.
HOWEVER, DESPITE THAT...
SFX POOF

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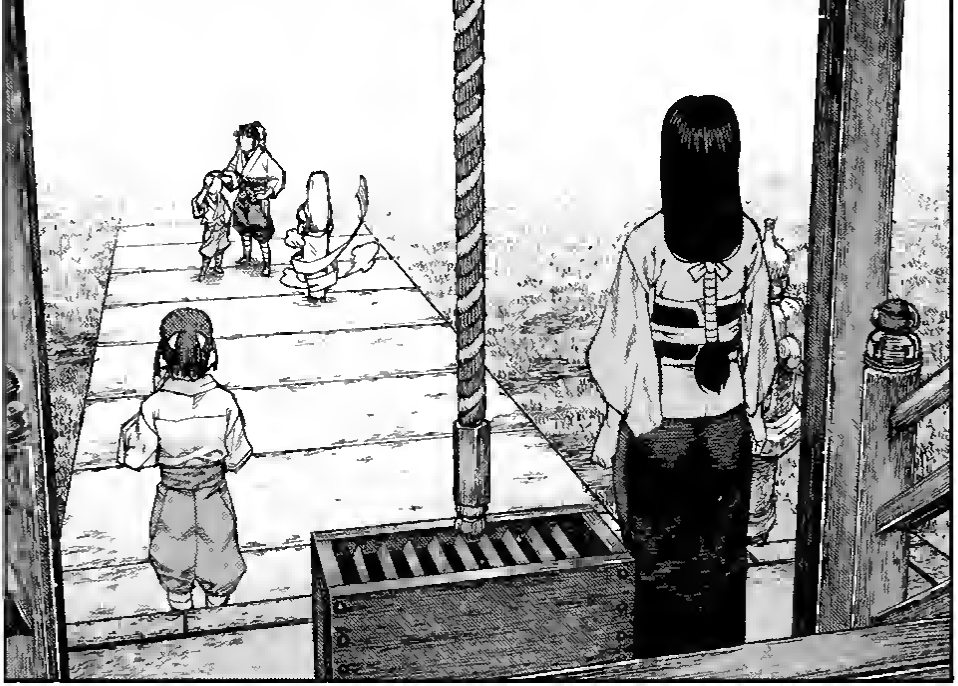
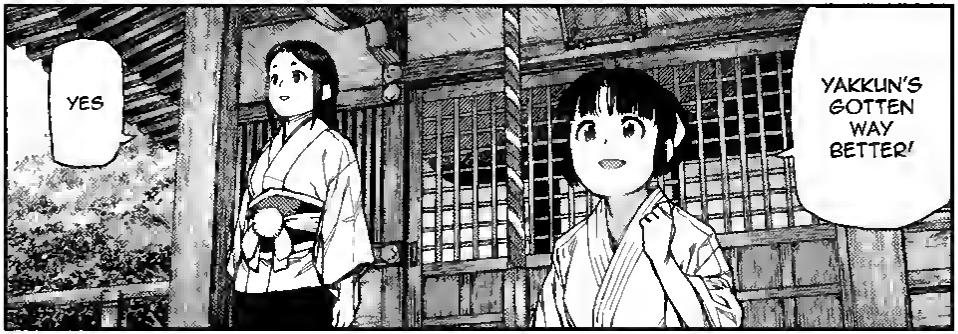
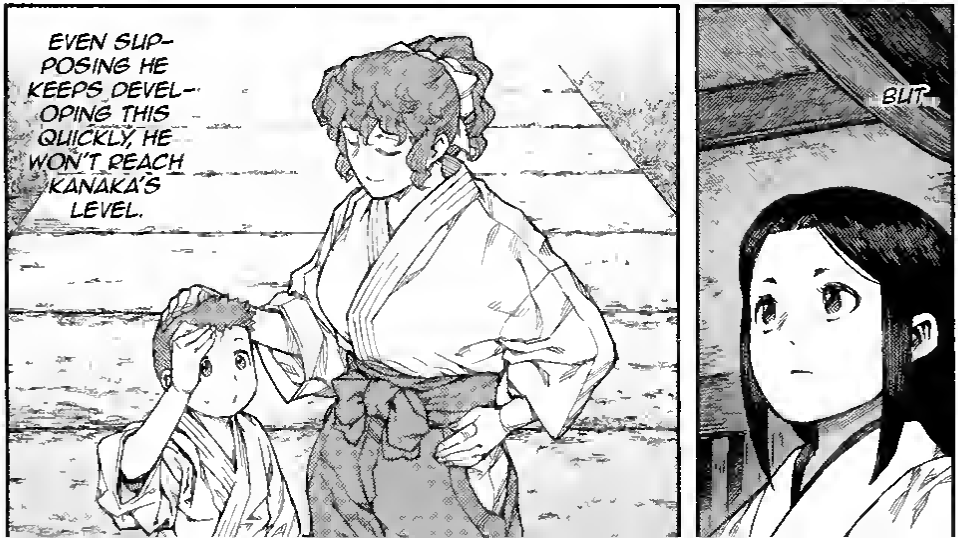
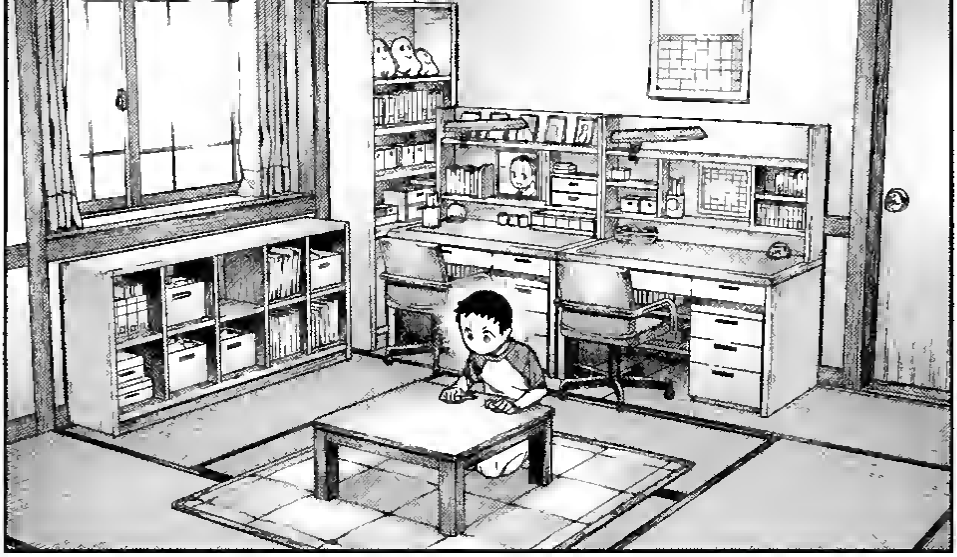
SFX
FLICK
OOF!
OKAY, THAT'S ALL.

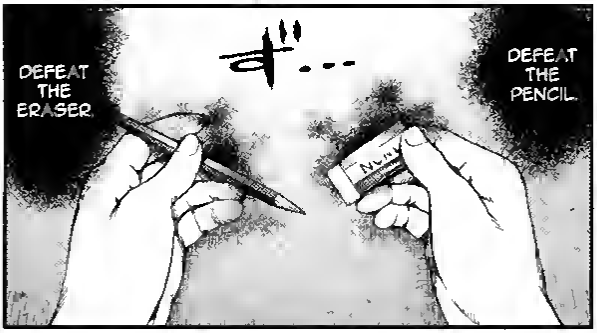



YES
YAKKUN'S GOTTEN WAY BETTER!


EVEN SUPPOSING HE KEEPS DEVELOPING THIS QUICKLY, HE WON'T REACH KANAKA'S LEVEL.
BUT...

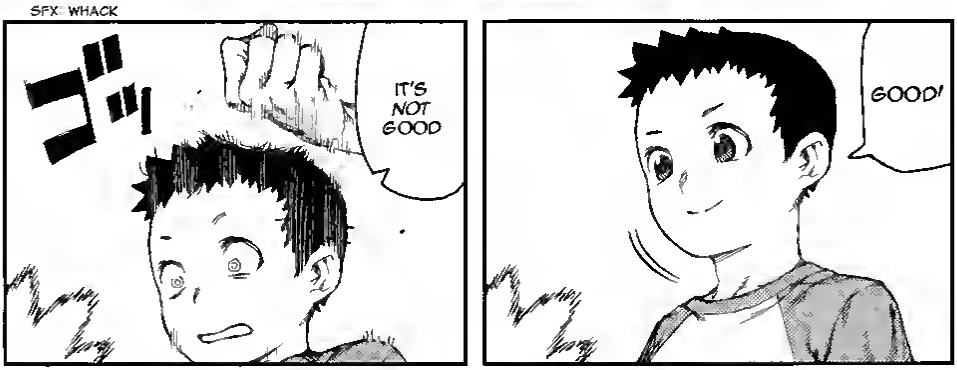


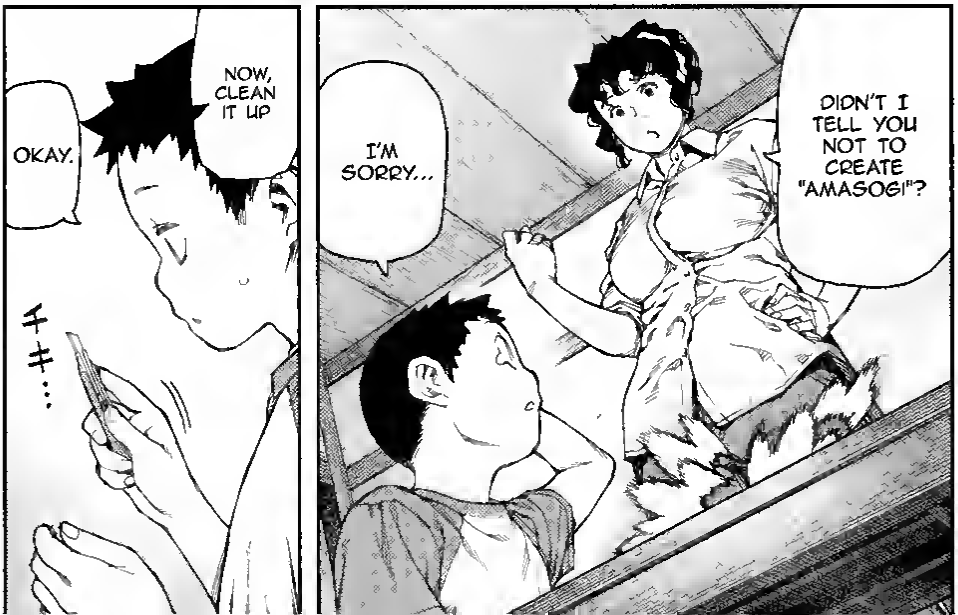
SFX FLOW

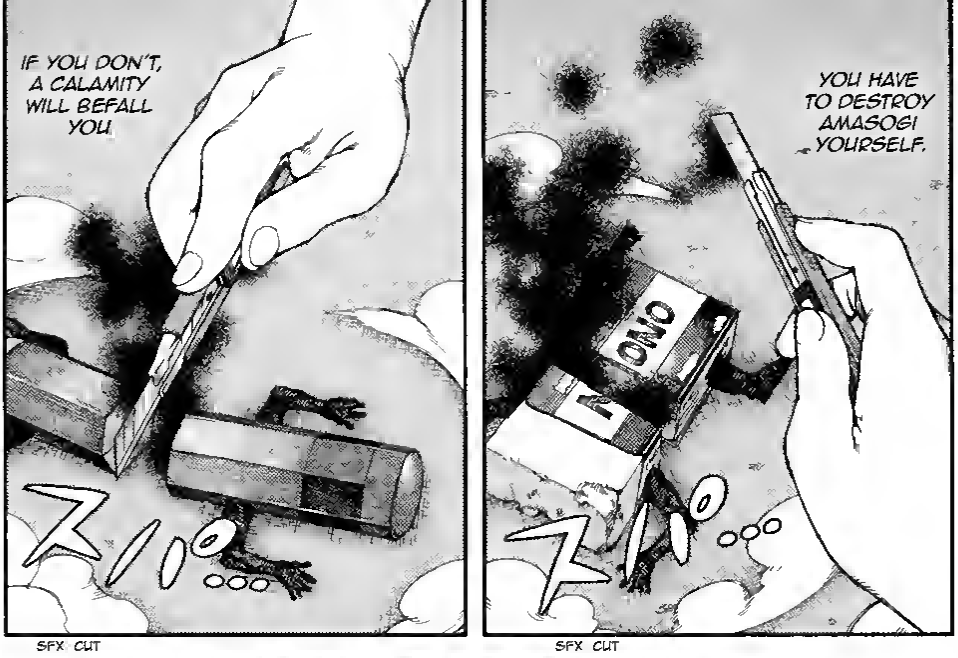


SFX POOF

SFX: KA-BAM BAM BAM BAM


SFX: WHACK
ゴッ
IT'S NOT GOOD
GOOD!

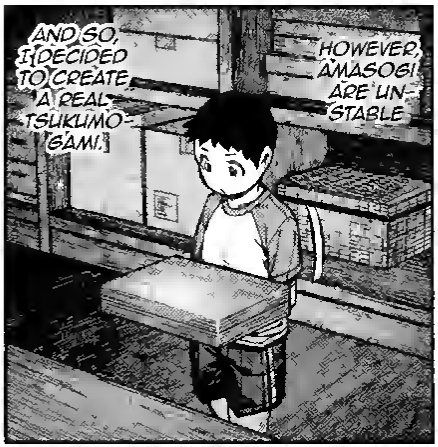

NOW, CLEAN IT UP
OKAY.
SFX SLIDE
チキ…
I'M SORRY...
DIDN'T I TELL YOU NOT TO CREATE "AMASOGI"?

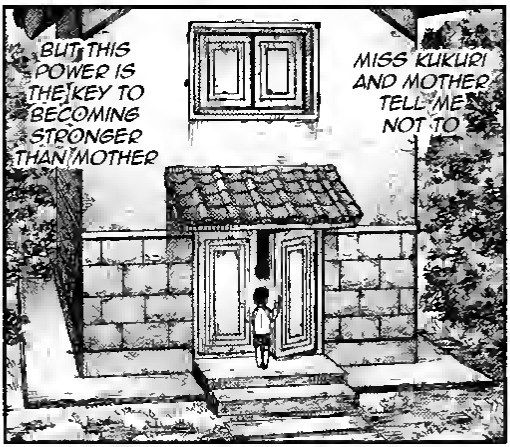

IF YOU DON'T, A CALAMITY WILL BEFALL YOU.
SFX: CUT
YOU HAVE TO DESTROY AMASOGI YOURSELF.
SFX: CUT

THAT CURSE POSSESSES A VESSEL.
DESIRE
願
A STRONG DESIRE GATHERS CURSE.
NOR-MALLY.

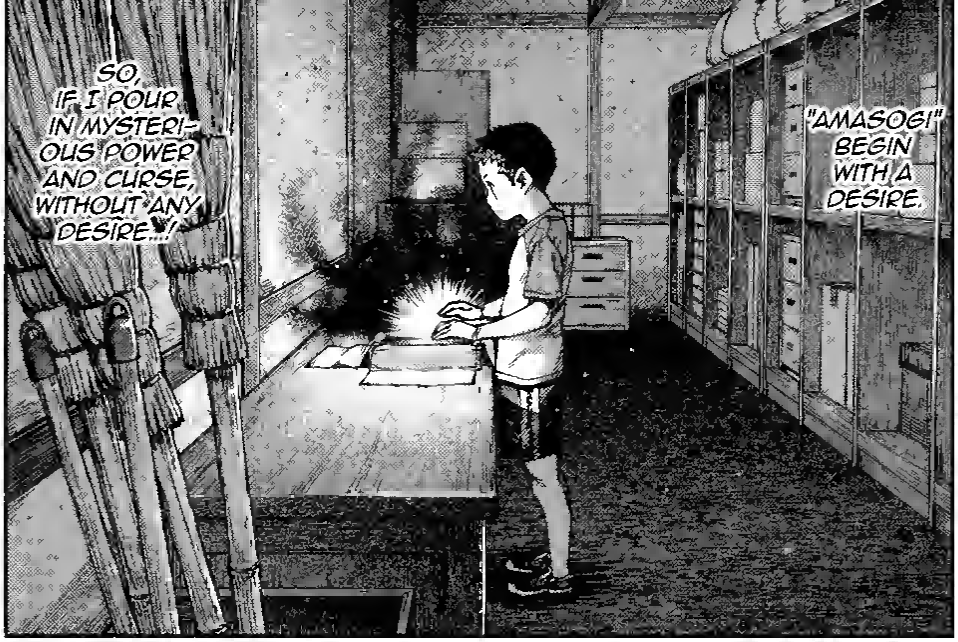
AN "AMASOGI."
VERY RARELY, IT BECOMES AN "INSTANT" TSUKUMOGAMI, WITHOUT A PERSONALITY.

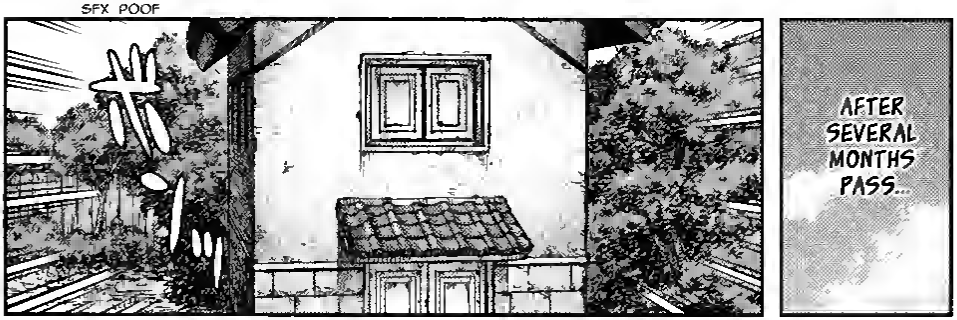
BUT, I CAN CREATE "AMASOGI" FREELY!

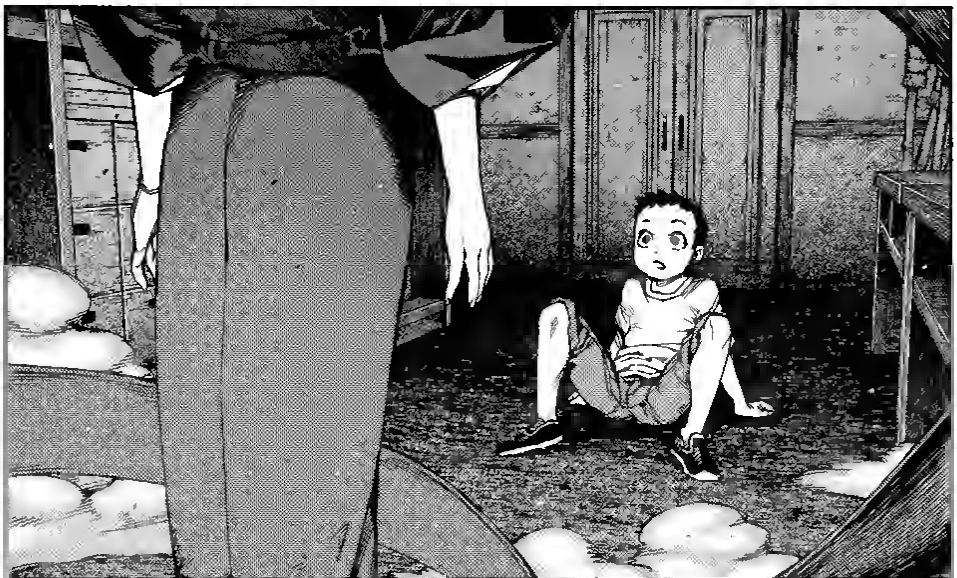

AND SO, I DECIDED TO CREATE A REAL TSUKUMO-GAMI.
HOWEVER, AMASOGI ARE UN-STABLE

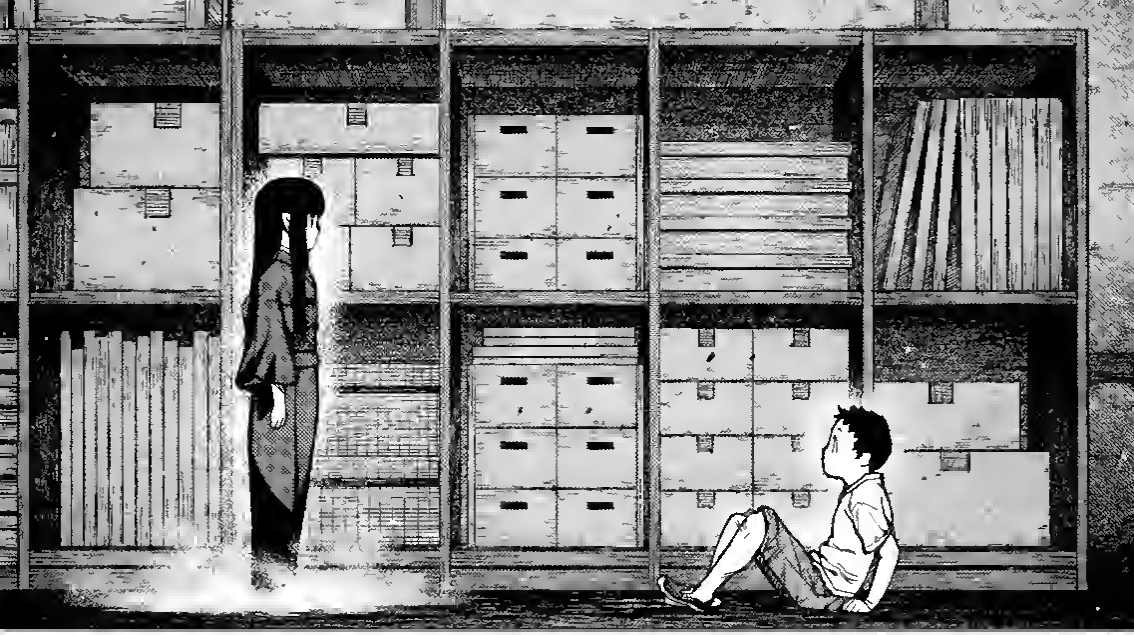

BUT THIS POWER IS THE KEY TO BECOMING STRONGER THAN MOTHER
MISS KUKURI AND MOTHER TELL ME NOT TO

I WILL MAKE A "TSUGU-MOMO".


SO, IF I POUR IN MYSTERIOUS POWER AND CURSE, WITHOUT ANY DESIRE...!
"AMASOGI!" BEGIN WITH A DESIRE.

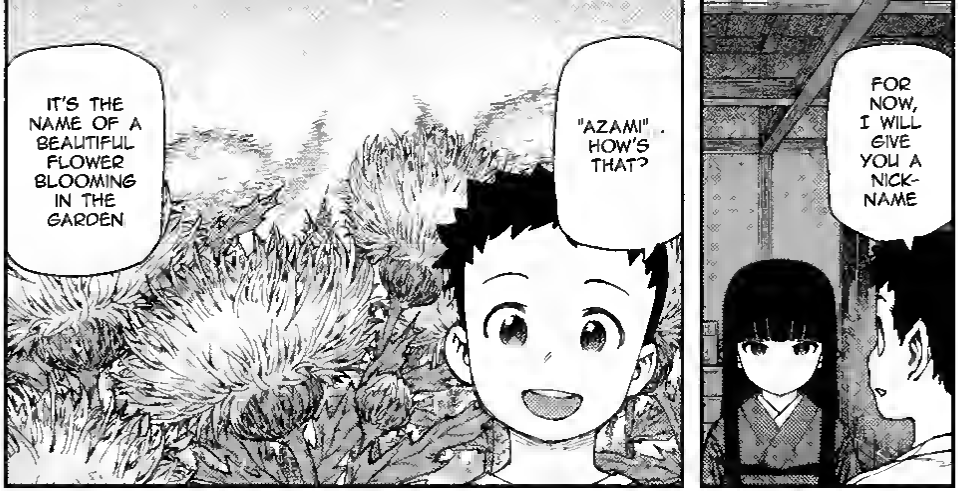

SFX POOF
AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS PASS...

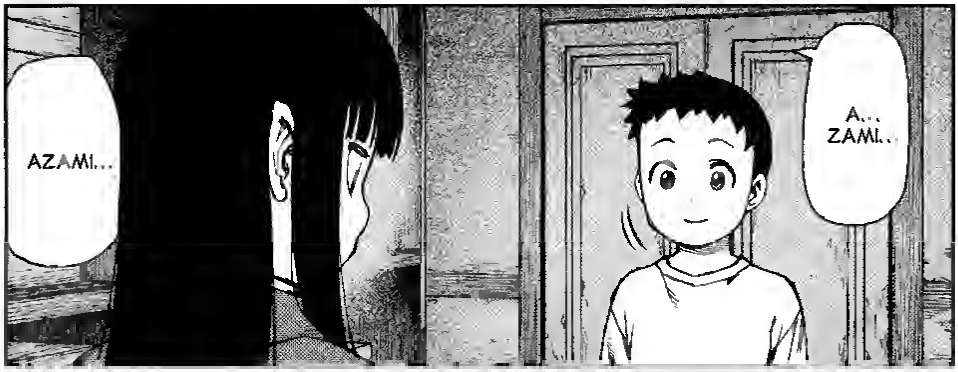




SFX GLOMP

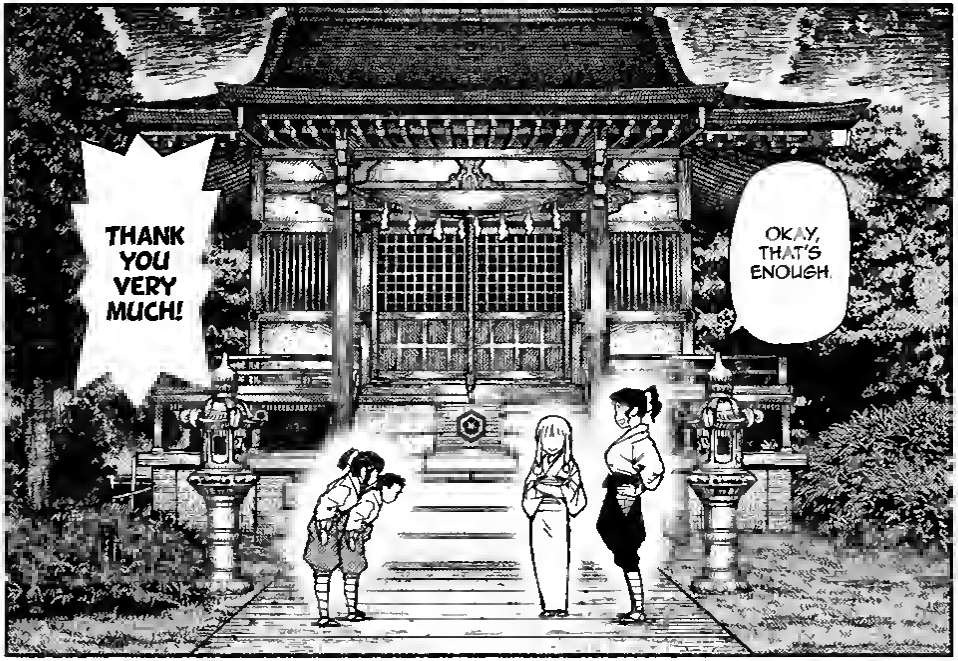
GOTTA GIVE YOU A NAME
A NAME.
OH, YEAH.
DO YOU GET IT, KAZU-YA?
IT'S A BOND, AND A SHACKLE, KNOWN ONLY TO THE OWNER AND TSUKUMOGAMI
A TSUKUMO-GAMI'S "TRUE NAME" IS THE NAME OF ITS SOUL.
TRUE NAMES SEEM TROUBLE-SOME...
CONVERSELY, THERE ARE NO LIMITS ON NICKNAMES SO NORMALLY, YOU USE THOSE.
ALWAYS BE EX-TREMELY CAREFUL IN USING IT.

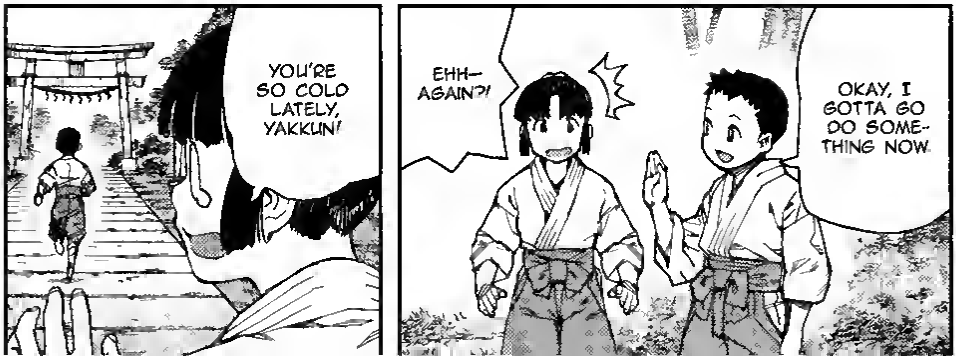

IT'S THE NAME OF A BEAUTIFUL FLOWER BLOOMING IN THE GARDEN
"AZAMI". HOW'S THAT?
FOR NOW, I WILL GIVE YOU A NICK-NAME

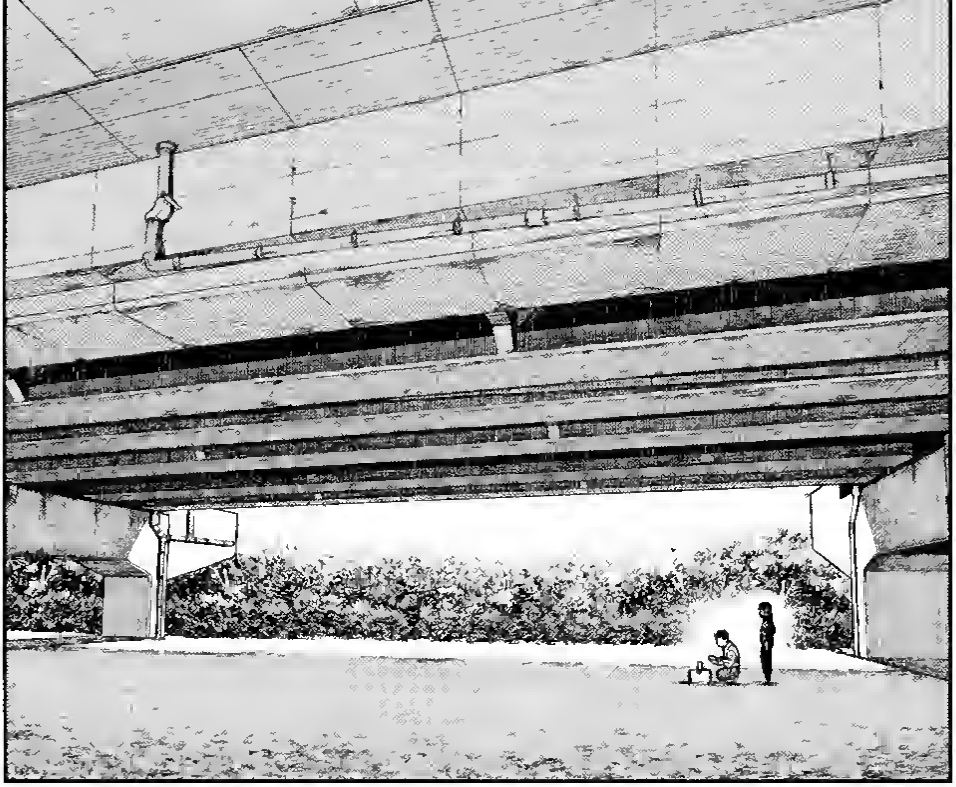

AZAMI...
A... ZAMI..

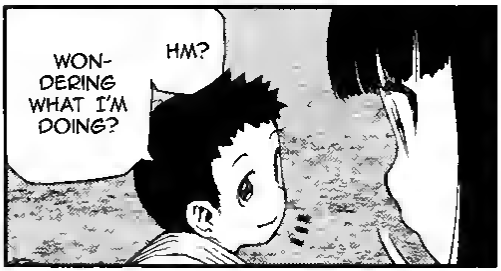
SFX
NOD

I'LL CONSIDER YOUR TRUE NAME LATER.
I GUESS SHE LIKES IT.

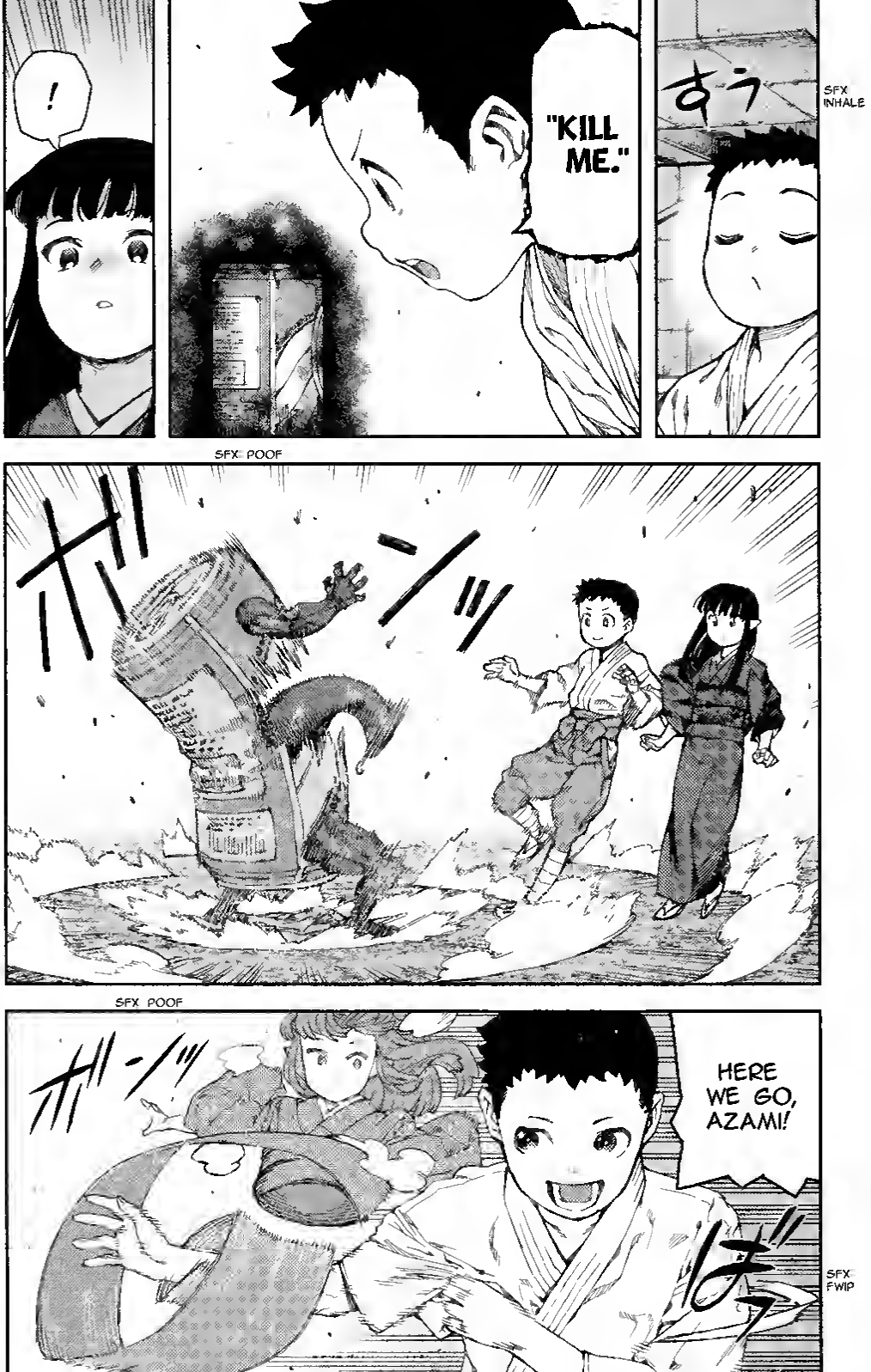

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
OKAY, THAT'S ENOUGH.


YOU'RE SO COLD LATELY, YAKKUN!
EHH— AGAIN?!
OKAY, I GOTTA GO DO SOME-THING NOW.




HM?
WONDERING WHAT I'M DOING?

I'M CREATING A "PARTNER" FOR THAT.
I'M ABOUT TO TEST YOU IN A REAL FIGHT.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"KILL ME."
すう
SFX INHALE
SFX: POOF
SFX POOF
HERE WE GO, AZAMI!
SFX FWIP

SFX
BAM
BAM
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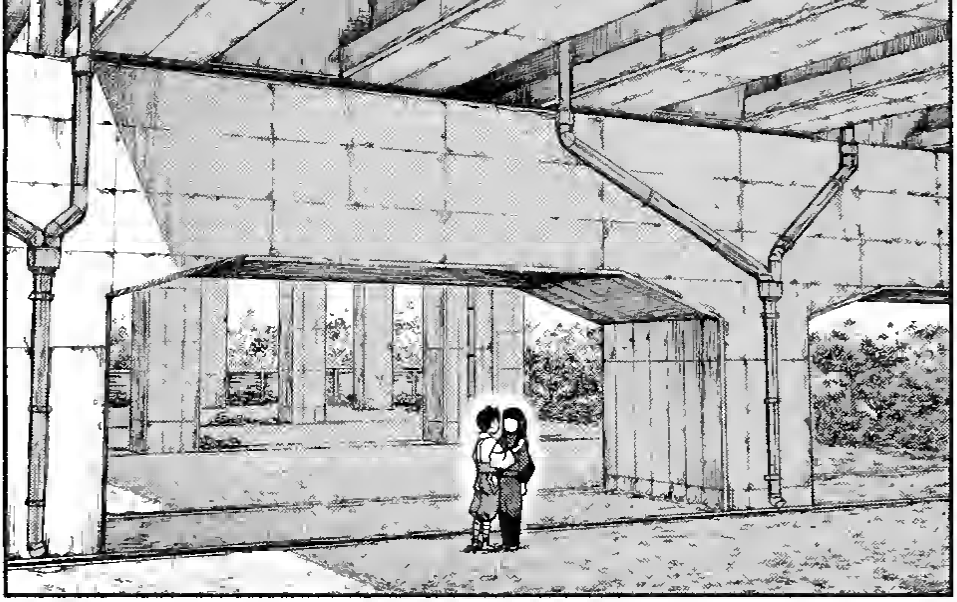
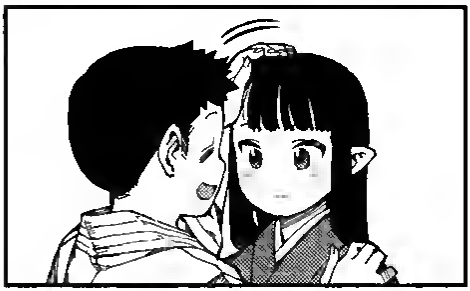
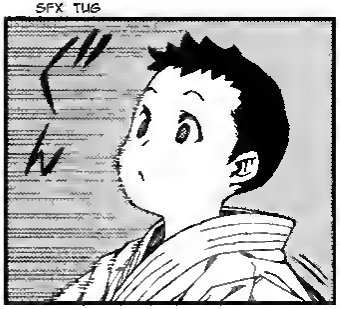
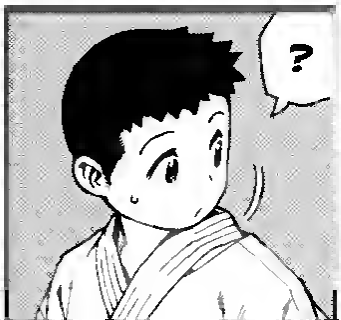
HAMMER WEAVE!
SFX
WHAM
SFX
HISSS
ALL RIGHT!





YOU'RE ALMOST MIGHTIER THAN KIRIHA!
YOU WERE AMAZ-ING, AZAMI!


SFX TUG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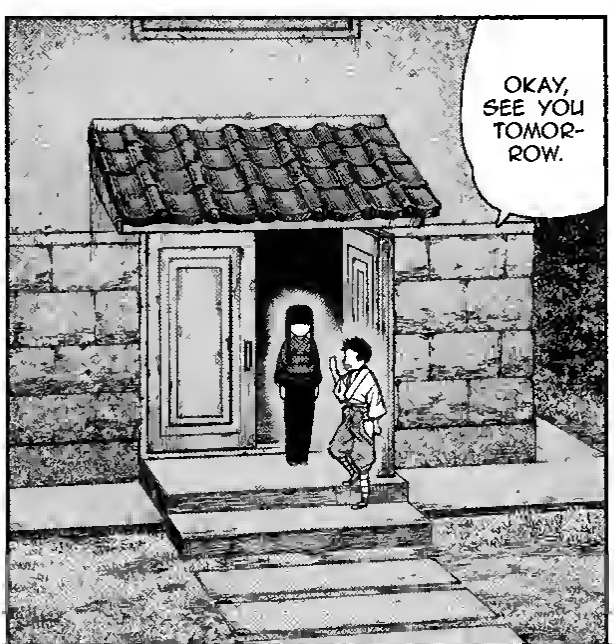
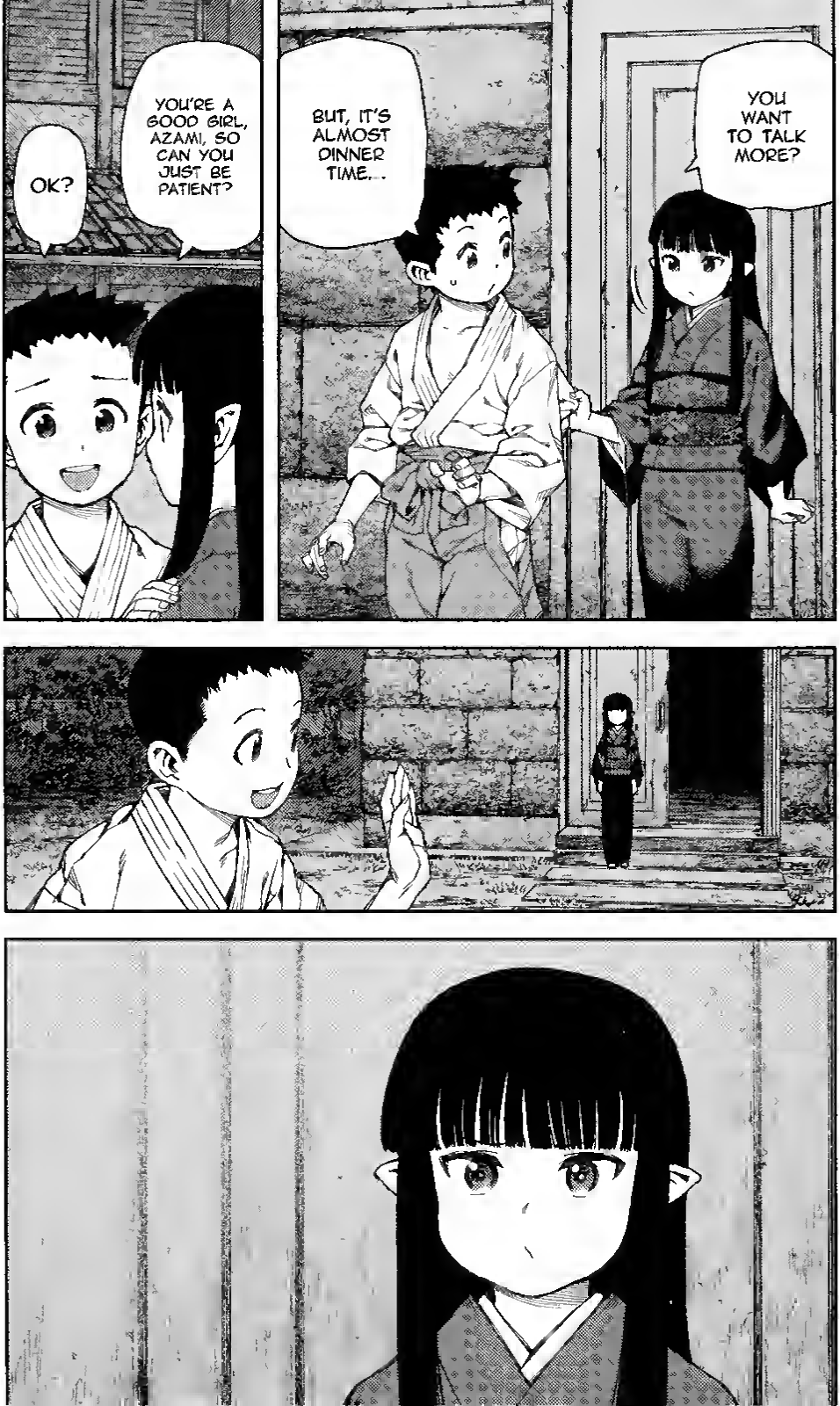
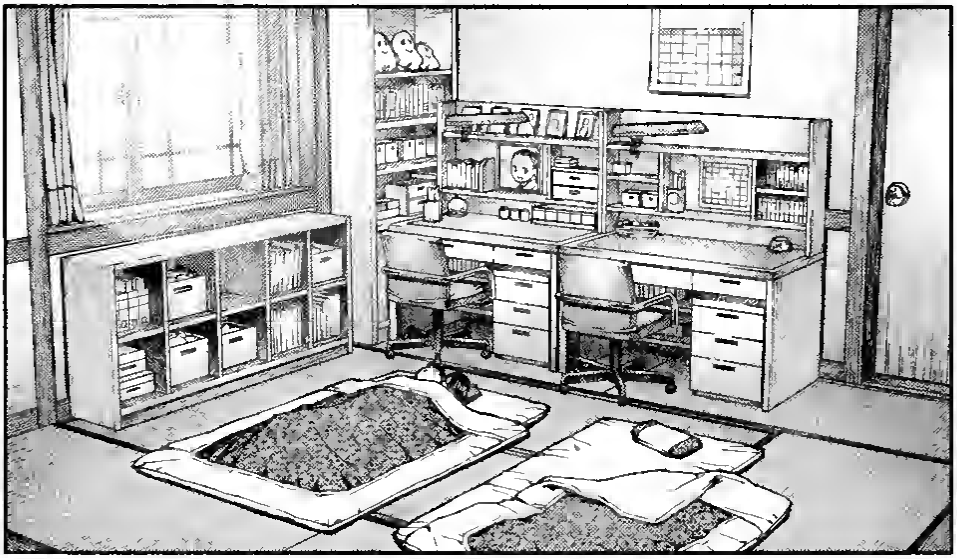
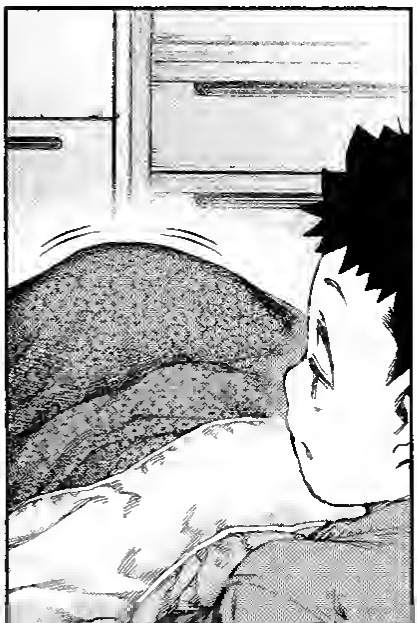
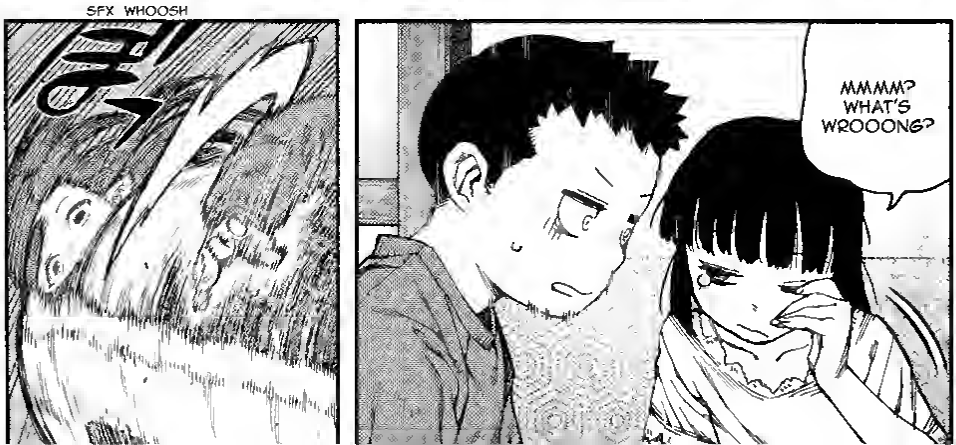

OKAY, SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW.


YOU'RE A GOOD GIRL, AZAMI, SO CAN YOU JUST BE PATIENT?
OK?
BUT, IT'S ALMOST DINNER TIME...
YOU WANT TO TALK MORE?





FWIP
WHAA?!


SFX WHOOSH
MMMM? WHAT'S WROOONG?

AHAHAHA, NOTHING, NOTHING!
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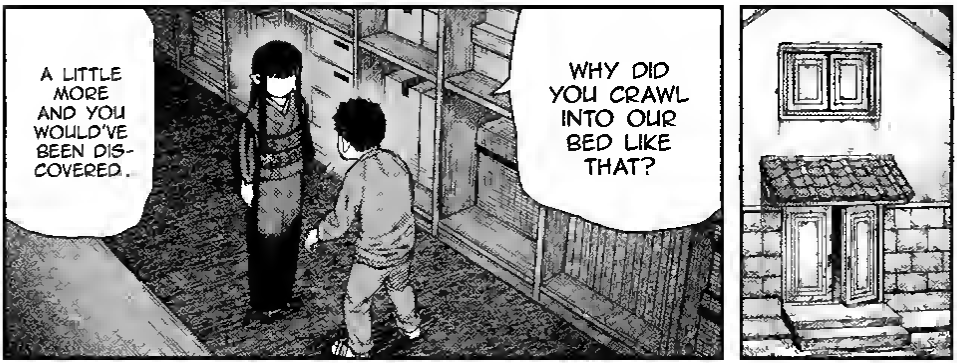
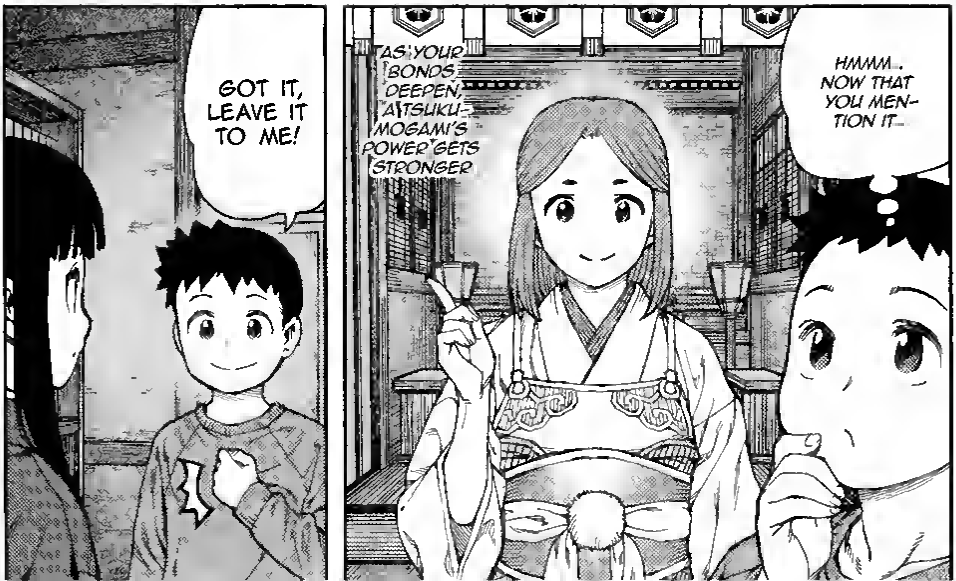

A LITTLE MORE AND YOU WOULD'VE BEEN DIS-COVERED.
WHY DID YOU CRAWL INTO OUR BED LIKE THAT?

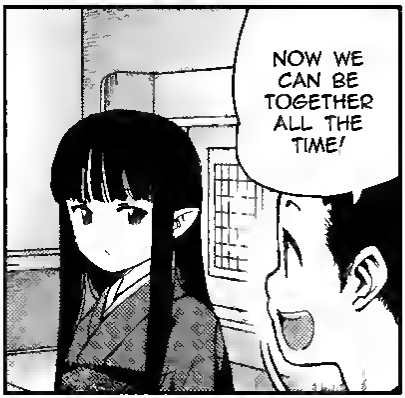
AHH, SORRY, I'M NOT ANGRY, OKAY?
SFX HMPH

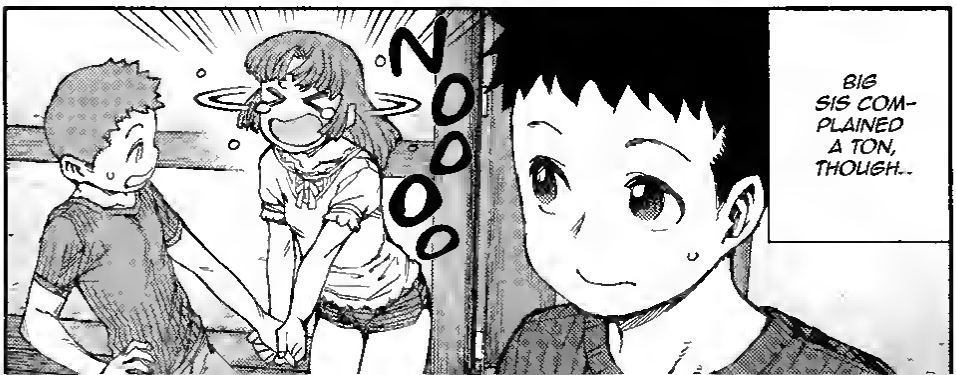
YOU WANT TO BE TO-GETHER MORE...?
EH...

SFX
NOD
NOD


GOT IT, LEAVE IT TO ME!
AS YOUR BONDS DEEPEN, ATSUKU-MOGAMI'S POWER GETS STRONGER
HMMM... NOW THAT YOU MEN-TION IT...

I GOT MY OWN ROOM!


NOW WE CAN BE TOGETHER ALL THE TIME!


NOOOO
BIG SIS COMPLAINED A TON, THOUGH..

NO, I'M GOING TO TAKE MY OWN BATH.
NOW, LET'S TAKE OUR BATH, YAKKUN
SFX POOF
TAKE YOUR CLOTHES OFF.
AZAMI!
OI, QUIT BEING SUCH A BROTHER-HOLIC ALREADY!
NOOOOOOO! YOUR OWN ROOM, YOUR OWN BATH!? IS THIS A REBELLIOUS PERIOD?!

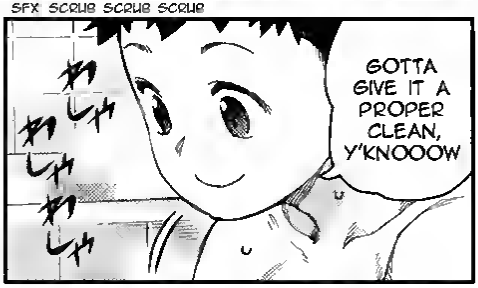
FROM NOW ON, WE'LL BATHE TOGETHER TOO.

OKAY, NOW THE FRONT.
SFX SPIN
SFX SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB
SFX GRAB
HA-HA, DON'T BE SHY
EH, YOU CAN DO IT YOURSELF?

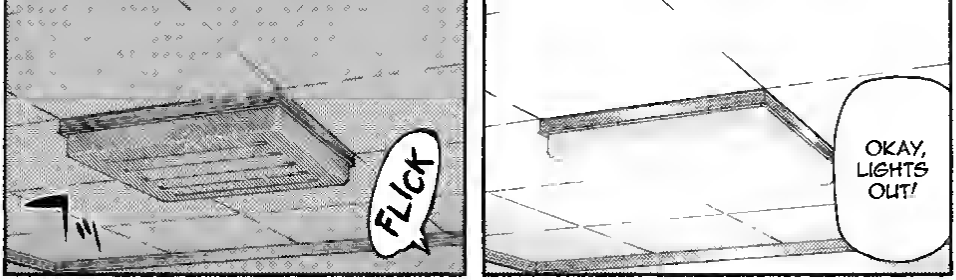
カポーン

SFX SPREAD

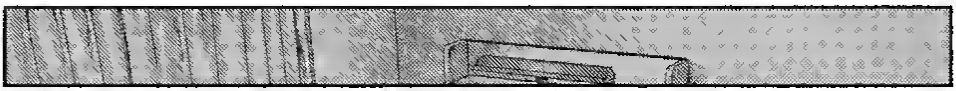
SFX SCRUB SCRUB
AH...
AH!...
やしゃやしゃ

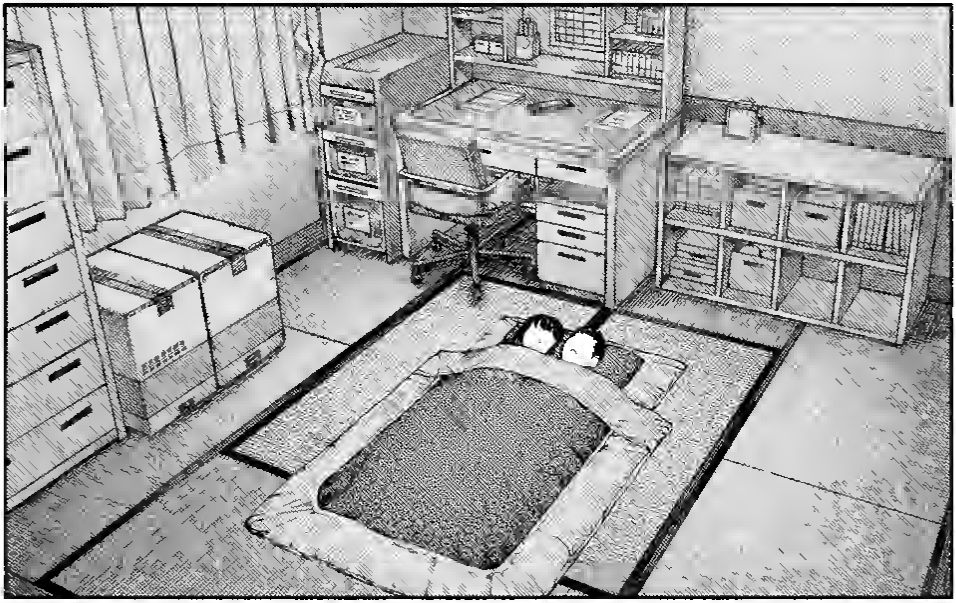

SFX SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB
やしゃやしゃやしゃやしゃ
GOTTA GIVE IT A PROPER CLEAN, Y'KNOOOW

SFX DRIBBLE
ちょろろろ…
AAAH HHH!
WHOA!
GOOD THING WE'RE IN THE BATH...



SFX: DARKEN





SFX: FWISH

SFX: SHUFLE

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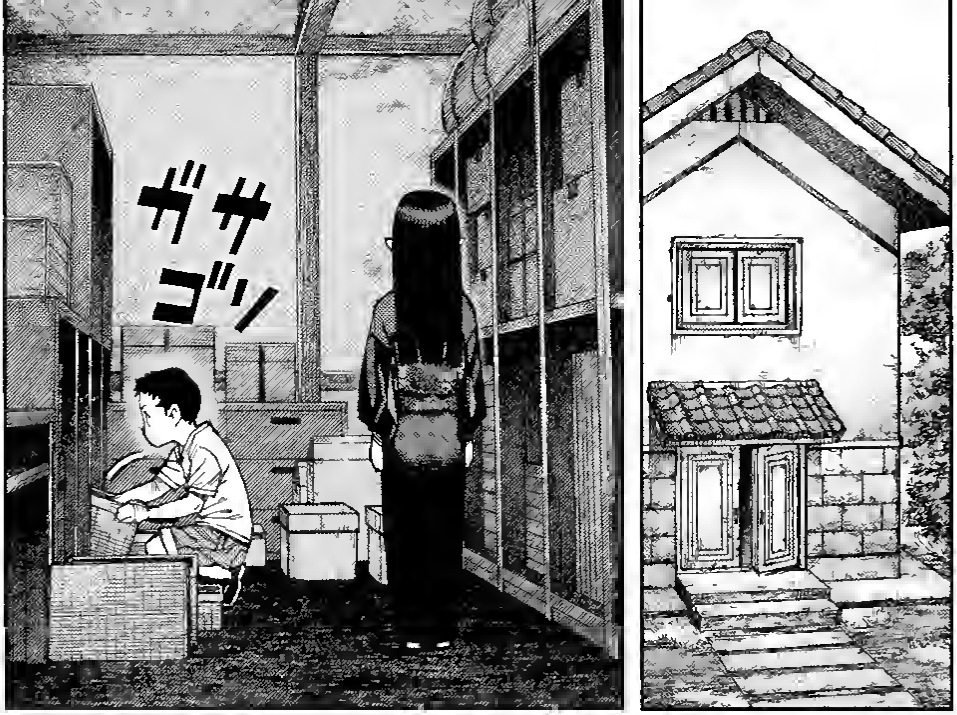
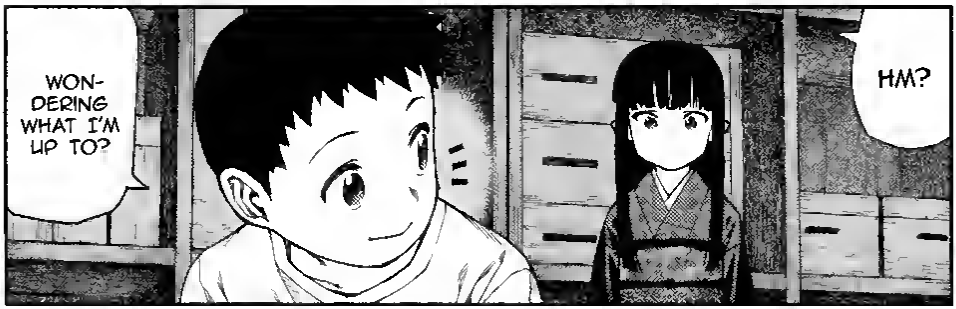
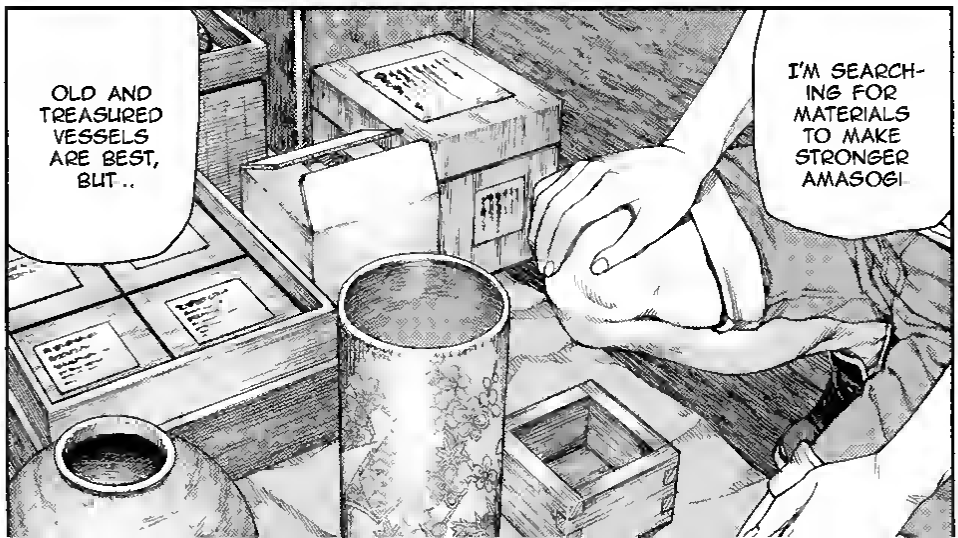
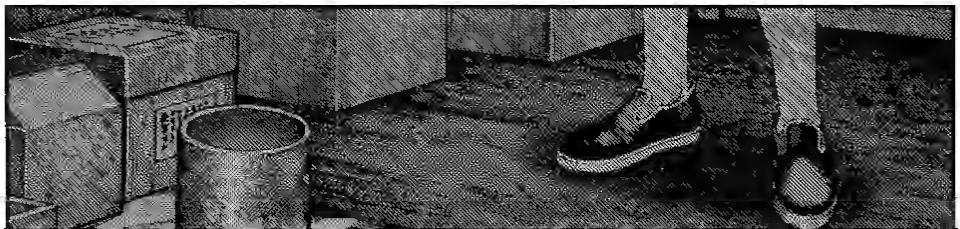
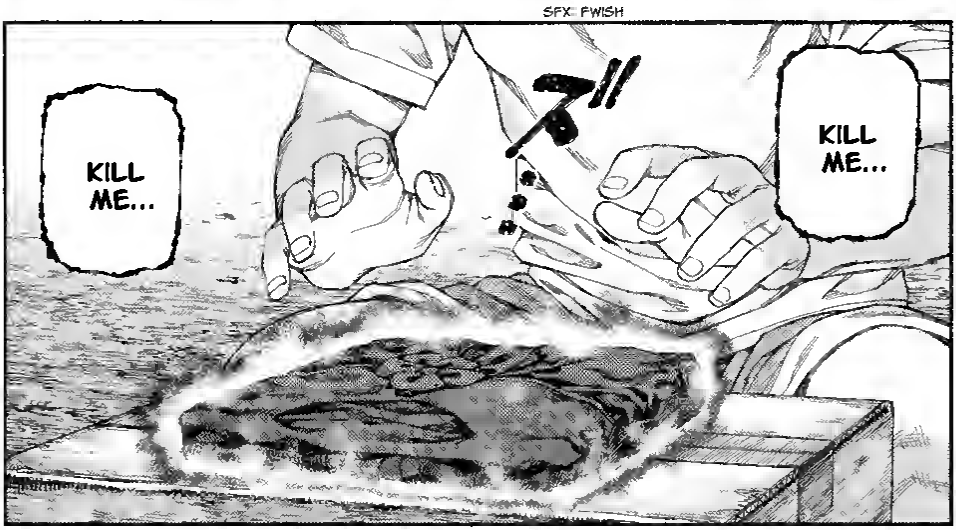

SFX
RUMBLE
ゲゴゴゴ


WONDERING WHAT I'M UP TO?
HM?


OLD AND TREASURED VESSELS ARE BEST, BUT..
I'M SEARCHING FOR MATERIALS TO MAKE STRONGER AMASOGI

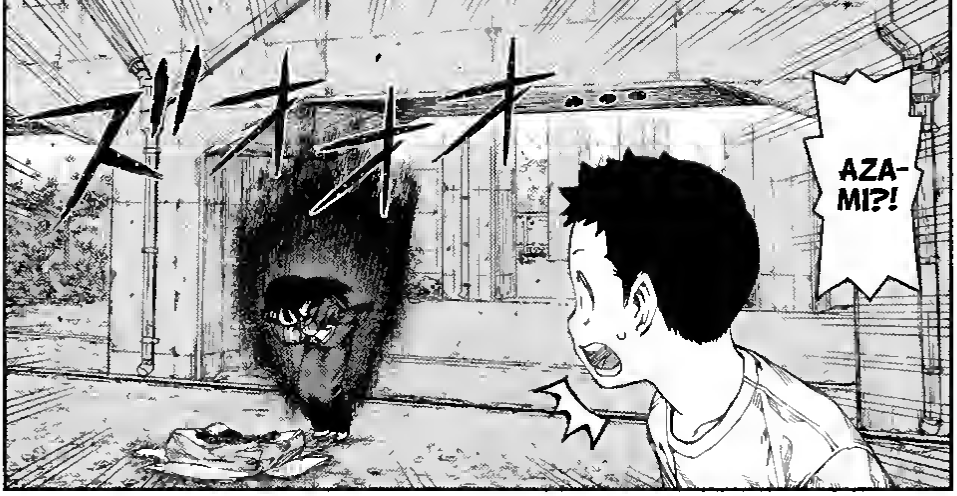
SFX: BAM!



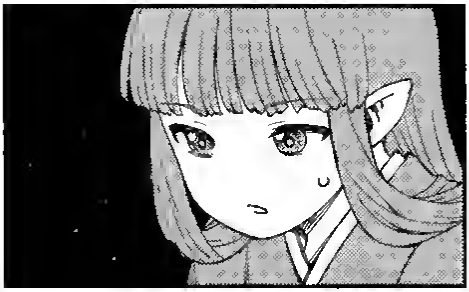

SFX: FWISH
KILL ME...
KILL ME...

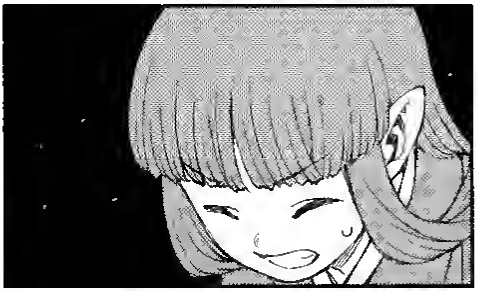
SFX: NOD
AZAMI, CAN YOU TAKE CARE OF IT?
OH WELL. LET'S TRY AGAIN TOMOR-ROW
THAT'S WEEEIRD. IT'S NOT BE-COMING AN AMASOGI. .
SFX: SILENCE
. . .

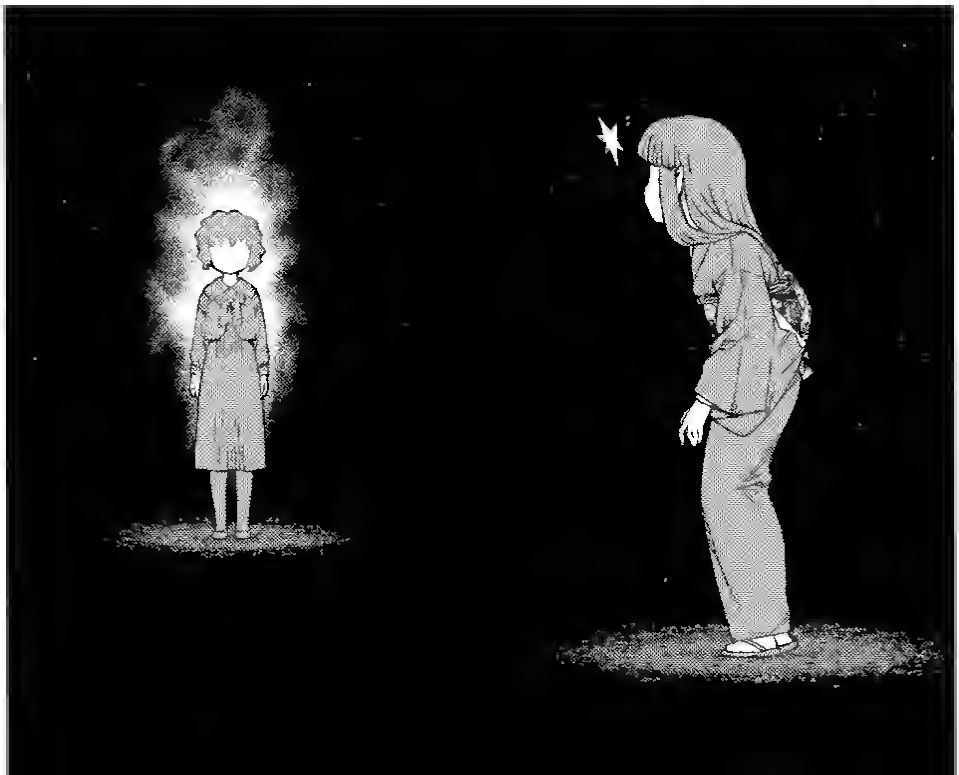
SFX CRACK
バチッ
スッ…
SFX LEAN
SFX WHOOSH
?!



SFX FWOOOOO



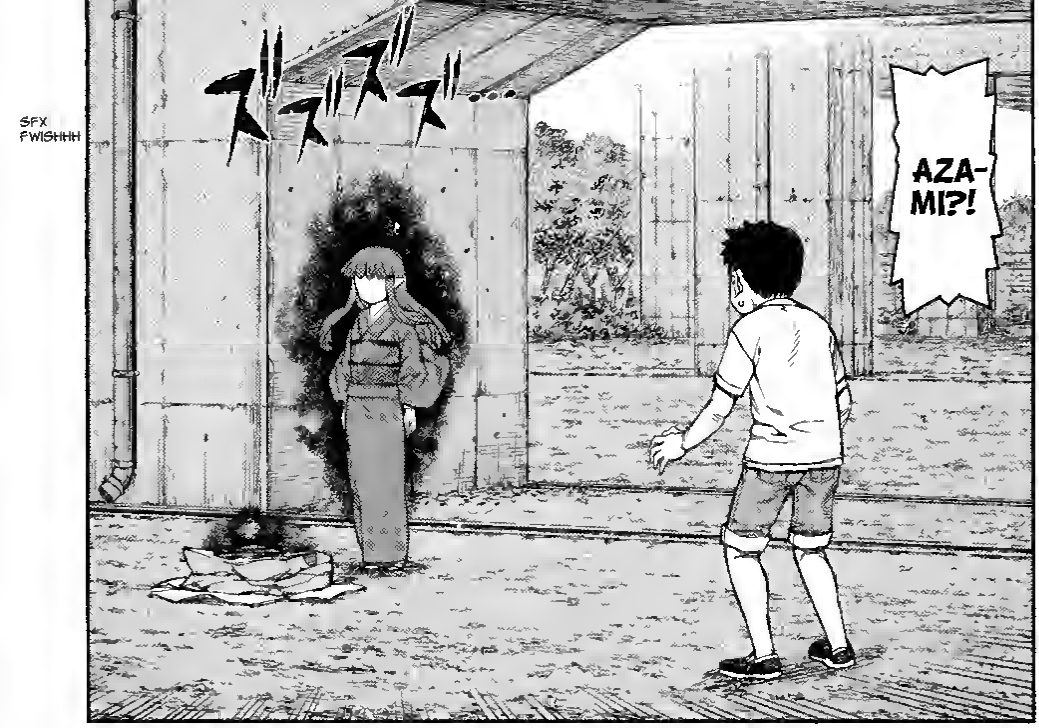


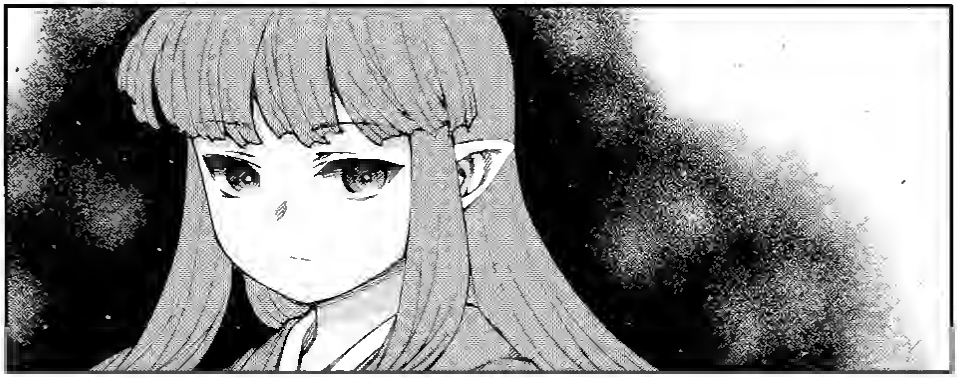


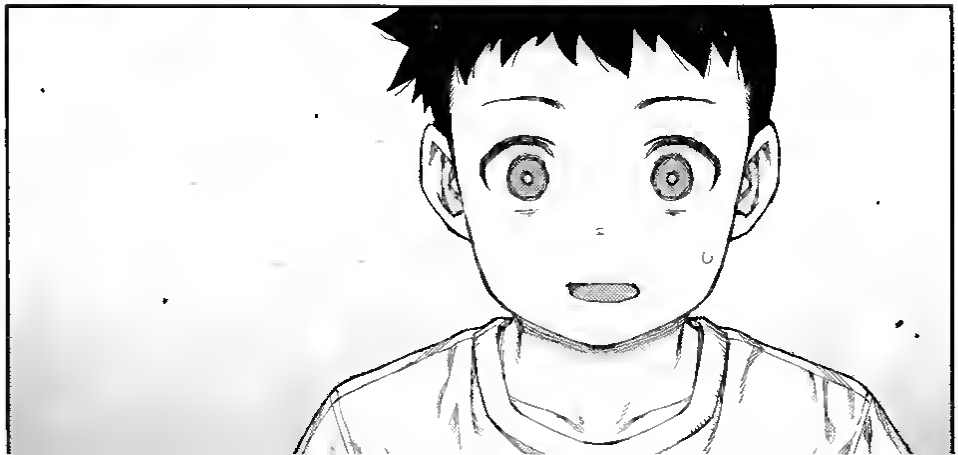
SFX
SHOOM
SFX WOOSH
!
LET'S JOIN TOGETH-ER.
LET'S BECOME THE SAME.
NO.
STOP...

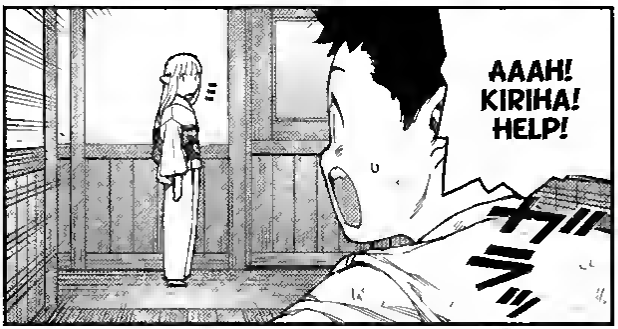
SFX
FWAP
NOOOPE.
SFX SSSST
NNN
NG!
SFX SST
SFX SIIIIP
KAZU-
YA!
KAZU-
YAA...
NOOO!

SFX BA-DUMP
SFX FWISH
SFX POOF
!!


SFX
FWISHHH
AZA-
MI?!

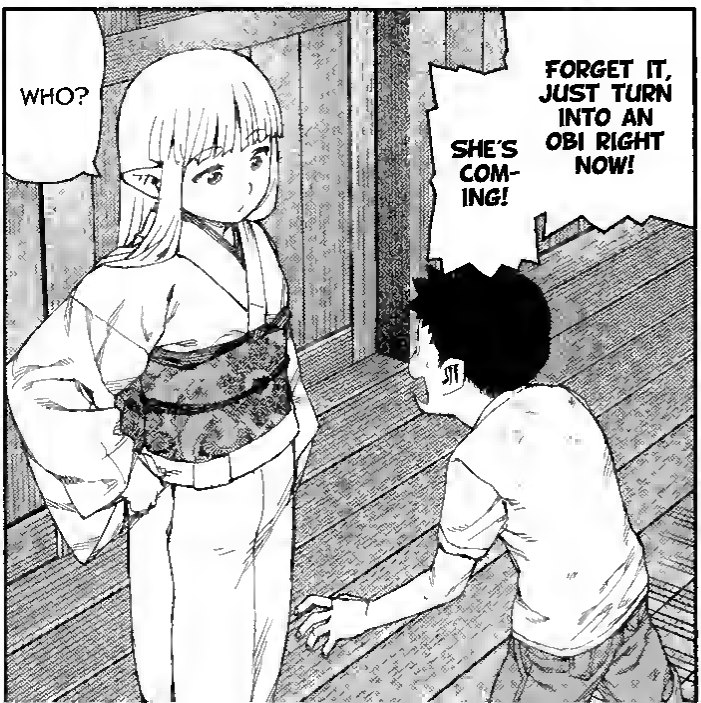




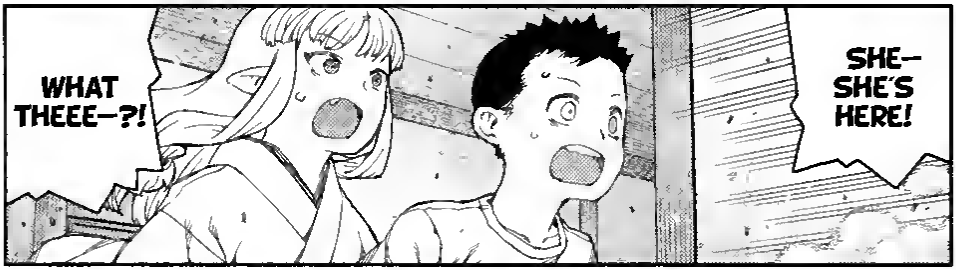


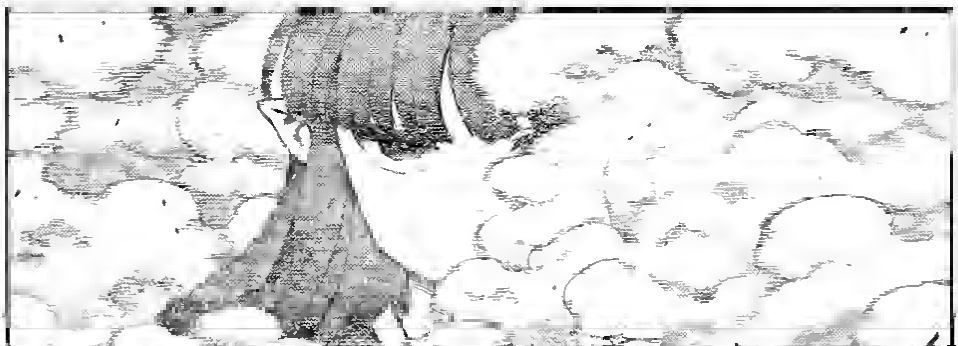
SFX: SLAM

SFX: APPEAR



KABOOM


WHAT THEEE—?!
SHE— SHE'S HERE!



SFX
FWISH

WHAT
?!

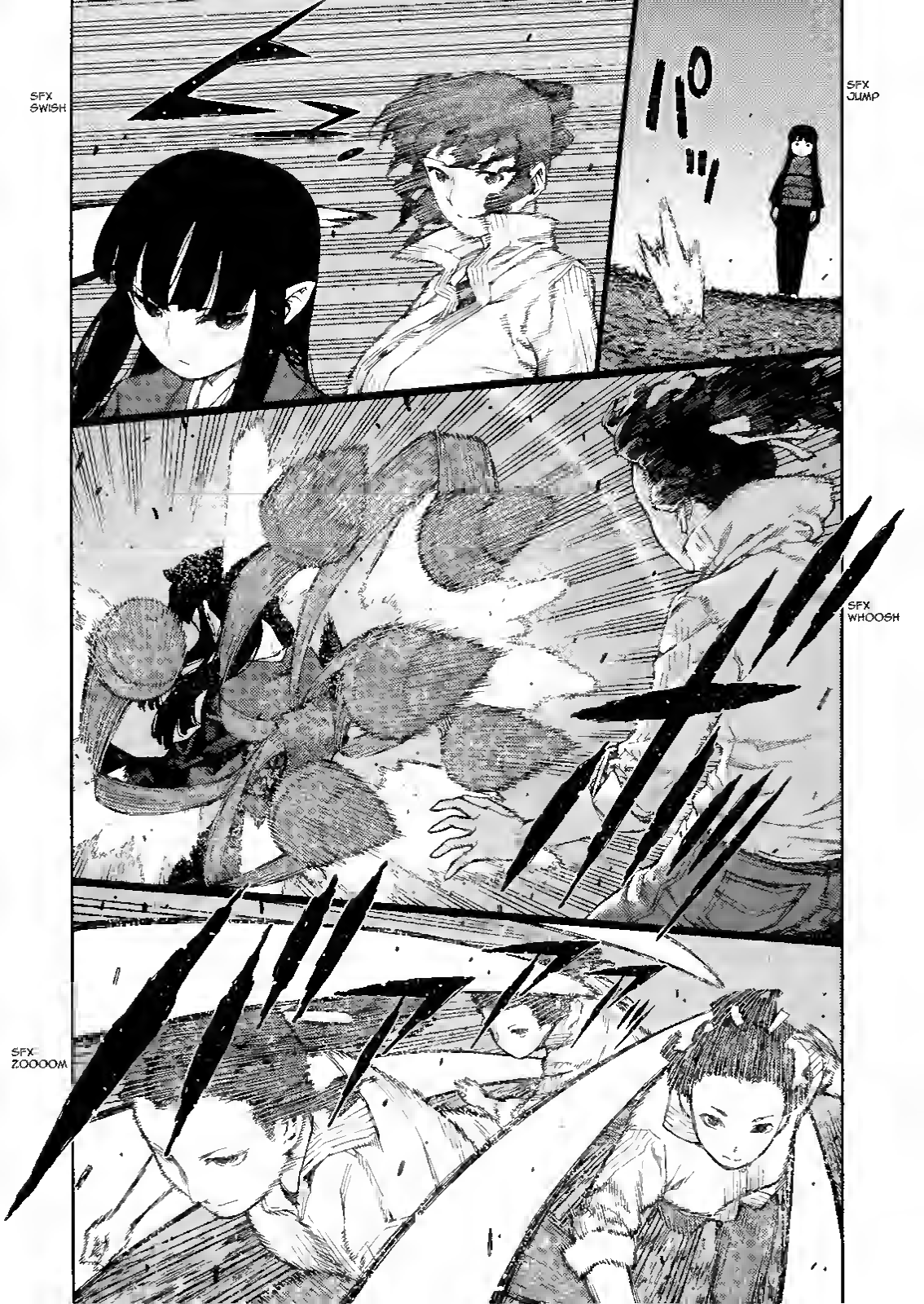
KAZU-
YA...
KILL...

SFX
KA-BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
BAM
...AZAMI JUST SUDDENLY STARTED RUNNING WILD!
OHHH, IS THAT SO?!
YOU DIDN'T DO WHAT YOU WERE TOLD!
I'M GONNA SQUEEZE YOU DRY LATER!
SFX
WHOOSH

SFX: SLAM
SFX: WHIRL
SFX: RIZZZ
SHE'S STRONG! TOO STRONG FOR US!
CALL KANA-KA!
EEEEK! SHE'LL BE MAD!
IS THIS THE TIME TO WORRY ABOUT THAT?!
SFX: APPEAR

KA-NA-KA!
SHE'S RIGHT.
WAH!
I'M GOING TO PUNISH YOU LATER, KAZUYA
EEP...
...SO, THAT GIRL IS AN OBI TSUKUMO-GAMI?
THAT'S RIGHT

OI, KANAKA, USE ME!
I'LL BE FINE.
LOOK AFTER KAZUYA, KIRIHA.
SFX PASS
MOM, THAT GIRL'S NOT AN "AMASOGI", SHE'S A "TSUGU-MOMO"!
SHE'S A GOOD GIRL, SO DON'T HURT HER!
IS THAT SO?
SFX: STEP


SFX
SWISH
SFX
JUMP
SFX
WHOOSH
SFX
ZOOOOM

SFX
FWIP
SFX
SHOOM
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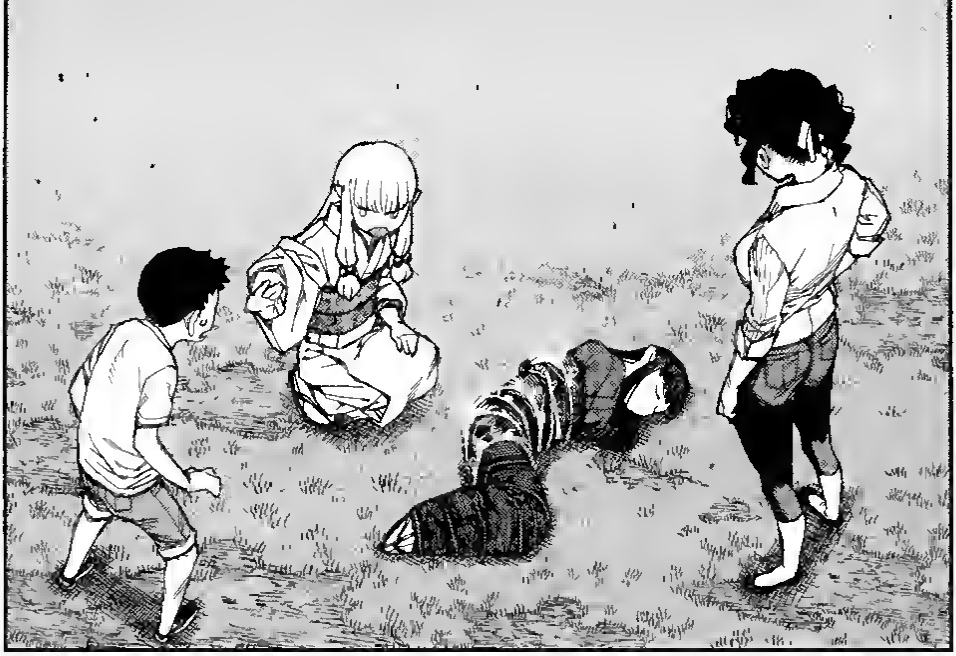
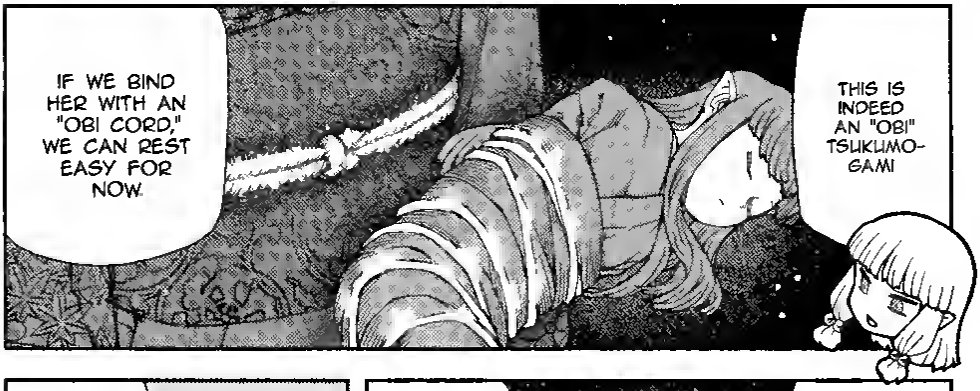
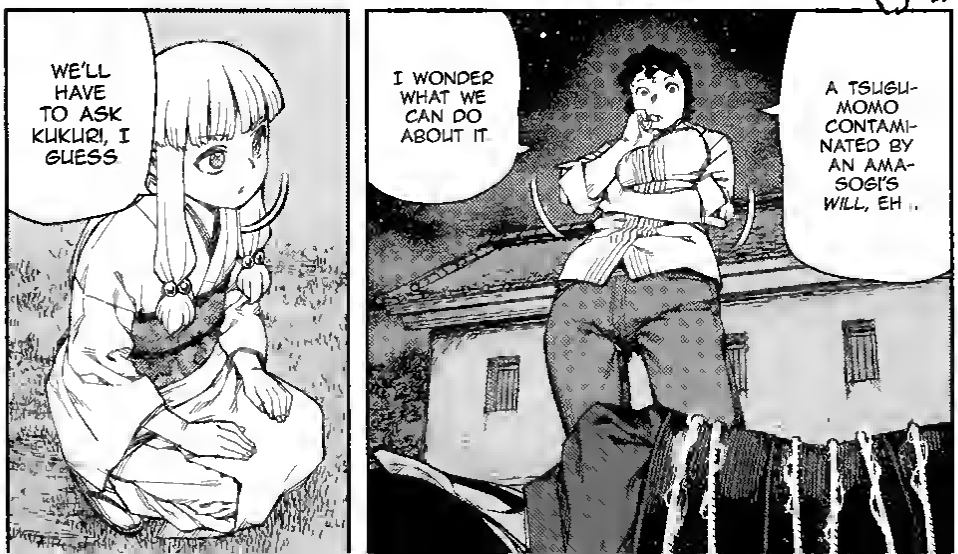
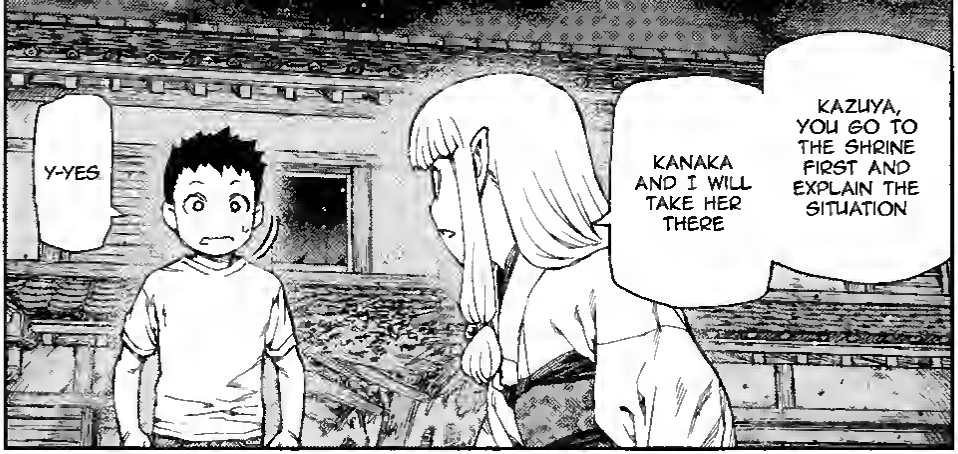
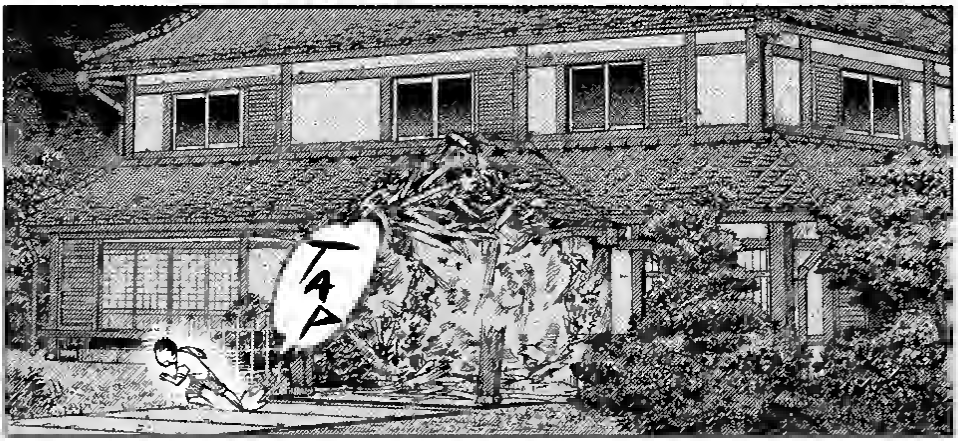
WHAP
SFX
WRAP

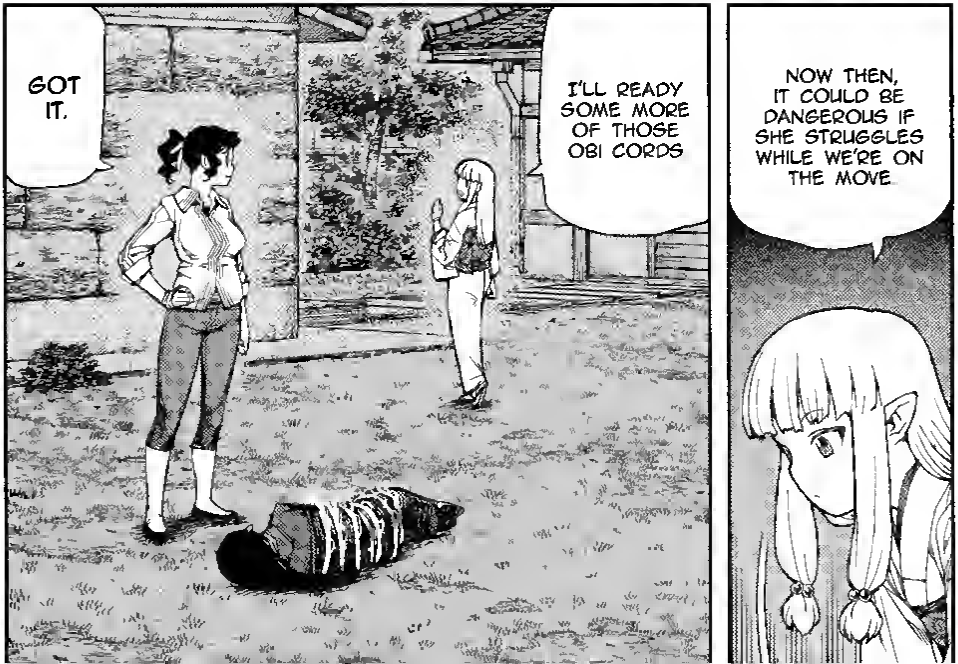



IF WE BIND HER WITH AN "OBI CORD," WE CAN REST EASY FOR NOW.
THIS IS INDEED AN "OBI" TSUKUMO-GAMI


WE'LL HAVE TO ASK KUKURI, I GUESS.
I WONDER WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT.
A TSUKU-MOMO CONTAMI-NATED BY AN AMA-SOGI'S WILL, EH...


KAZUYA, YOU GO TO THE SHRINE FIRST AND EXPLAIN THE SITUATION
KANAKA AND I WILL TAKE HER THERE
Y-YES


TAP


NOW THEN, IT COULD BE DANGEROUS IF SHE STRUGGLES WHILE WE'RE ON THE MOVE.
I'LL READY SOME MORE OF THOSE OBI CORDS
GOT IT.

WHAT IS IT...
...
SOME-THING..
FAMIL-IAR...?
SFX: FWOOSH
!!

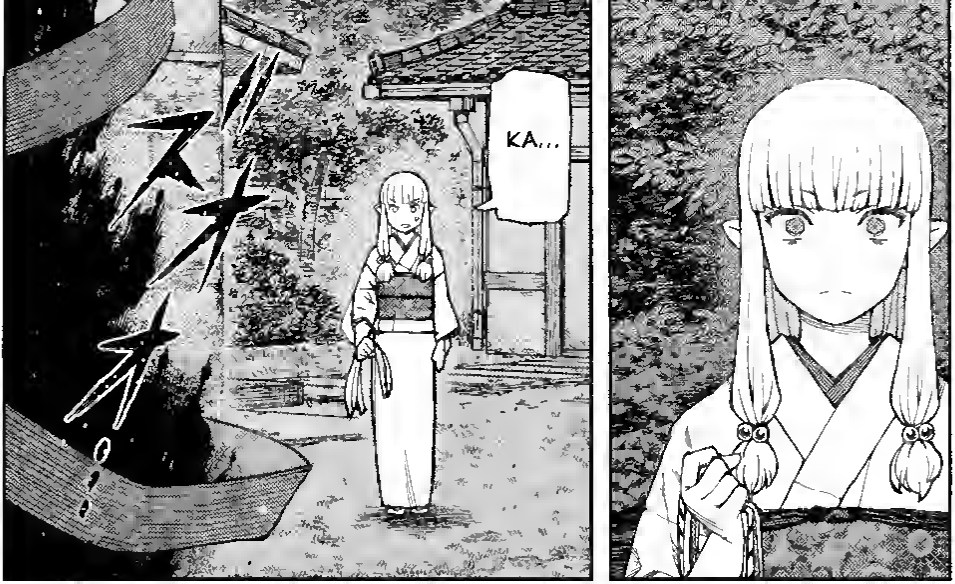
SFX
SHOOM

THIS IS WHAT WILL APPEASE YOUR HUNGER.
THIS IS WHAT WILL QUENCH YOUR THIRST.

COME ON.

SFX: SLIDE

COME ON.



SFX FWOOOOO

Afterword

"Wait, the flashback arc still ain't over!!?"

Hello, Hamada Yoshikazu here. I went ahead and spoke for the readers. Yeah, it isn't over. (deal with it)

When Tsugumomo entered the flashback arc, I remember having this back-and-forth with my editor.
Editor:"How long will this flashback arc continue?"
Me:"Hmm, I can manage it in about three chapters..."
It was a complete lie.

They said a flashback arc probably wouldn't go over well, so try to keep it reasonably short, but it ended up totally unreasonable. It still isn't over, after 10 chapters and 2 volumes...

However, in volume 17 the flashback arc will conclude. Hooray.

Now, when the flashback arc ends, I must move forward with new plot developments.
But, that creates a problem with the fanservice scenes.

The loss of the characters who are in charge of the sexy scenes is a problem.
I have to think on it.

As those who have already read this volume are aware, the first half of volume 17 will be the climax of the flashback arc, so it's hard to put fanservice in those chapters. Things will get extremely bad if I can't draw some fanservice with the start of the new plot developments.
I'll lose it.

I guess I'll manage somehow.

Well then, let's meet again in volume 17.

Hamada Yoshikazu

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